



RANDOLPH,
MASSACHUSETTS.

My dear Cousin George,
Will you, and Edith
and Mildred and Cousin
Marianne and Ed's wife,
and Ed, please to be kind
as to help me in my effort
to arrange a "Friendship
Calendar" for 1915, for Aunt
 Abby, for next Christmas?
The base sheets you
know, are to be written by

cannot put my self especially well
August Abby she has twice the son
Michael, she said to me (afterwards)
"It is an unusually attractive young
woman." I know she would so without
it. I find a word from him and
his wife. I do hope you are all well
and happy as the Randolph Antiques
walkers from Cousin George, shall
over from her before you could
not by my criticism. It will
not fall to our share, so
any time when early December will be soon enough.

the different friends, just a
few words of your own, or
a quotation, or whatever
you like, signing your
name of course. So that as
she takes the leaves off day
by day, she will ^{see} mes-
sages all through the year.
From her friends. I know
of no one who would enjoy
a calendar of this sort more
than Aunt Abby will, but as
it is perfectly impossible
for me to think of a two
hundred & sixty-four friends

to whom to apply for contributions,
I am obliged to ask for several
sheets from each, but if you do not
feel like writing so many as four
leaves, please do not hesitate to
return three. When the blank, but
please send me at least one from
each. I suppose children and in-
fers are in some distant corner of
the shop, but should they happen
to be here, I should be very grateful
to them for a few lines, though they

It looks like a big bunch but
it doesn't average many for
each one, and don't do them
all unless you really want to.

Readville, May 8, 1912.

Neighbor -

There are not infrequently little things in the neighborhood which call for attention but which are allowed to go because a little money may be necessary and because it is nobody's business in particular.

For example, we bump over some stone or hole in the road to the Station for weeks, when fifty cents would avoid it if it were only somebody's business to attend to it.

It has been suggested that a modest "neighborhood fund" be gotten together to take care of such matters as they arise.

Mr. Felix Rackemann and Mr. Samuel H. Wolcott are willing to take charge.

If you feel like making any small contribution to such a fund, please send your check to either of them.

A few dollars from each will be plenty for the present.

Sent check \$10 to F. R.

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BOSTON, December 15, 1908

Dr. George G. Kennedy,
Readville, Mass.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

I thank you very much for the kindness and
courtesy of your note of December 13, enclosing to me the "Quaritch"
catalogue, which I am sending to my sister Bessie, and which I
think she may be glad to have. With kind regards.

Very truly yours,

S

Felix Rackemann

JAMES R. DUNBAR
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BOSTON, May 11, 1912.

Dr. George G. Kennedy,

Readville, Mass.

Dear Dr. Kennedy,-

f 10-

Thank you for your contribution to the
"Neighborhood Fund", which I have turned over to Mr. Sam Welcott,
Acting Treasurer.

One of the first things we want to do is to have the
caterpillars' nests pulled off along the roadsides, urging each
neighbor to do likewise on his own property.

I will report to you later as to other work.

Very truly yours,

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February 10, 1915.

Dr. George G. Kennedy,
Readville, Mass..

My dear Dr. Kennedy,-

I have quite recently found, and am now investigating, a case of distress in our neighborhood involving six children. It may be that through some steady employment the case can be taken care of. It may, on the other hand, be necessary to have some money for at least temporary relief.

If you feel like authorizing me to call on you for a few dollars, as may be required, won't you kindly indicate it on the enclosed postal card ?

If, on the other hand, the matter does not appeal to you, rest assured that I shall perfectly understand receiving no reply, and shall remain just the same

Sincerely yours,

Felix Rackemann

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CABLE ADDRESS
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February 24, 1915.

Dr. George G. Kennedy,
Readville, Mass.

Dear Dr. Kennedy, -

sent \$5.00

Referring again to the distress case of which I recently wrote you, and as to which you said you would like to know further particulars, I write merely to say that I found it a case of a good, clean, respectable mechanic, with a neat wife and six children, who has for some years had pretty good employment in the loom works at Hyde Park, but who has recently been having a pretty hard time on account of slack work, very much reduced hours of employment, with a consequent reduction of pay.

The man is sensible and courageous, and the case calls for considerable moral support, and some money relief.

I have taken care of the most pressing needs of the children, and it may be that the employment will come more steadily. The man is, of course, somewhat behind in his rent, and must not be allowed to lose the tenement shelter for his family, and the children must be kept reasonably warm and fed. I, personally, do not believe in putting too much cash in a lump into hands like these, as I believe that there are other things than cash which do quite as much good, but sometimes a certain amount of money is necessary, and I mean to keep track of the case until times are better. A little fuel, some food, some clothing, and possibly a little money for rent will be the apparent outside needs of the case, but the total amount will not be large, and I

2- Dr.G.G.K.

have promises of small assistance from several of our neighbors.

If you feel like sending me five dollars for the purposes of this case, I will see that it is properly applied.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Philip Rackmann". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "Philip Rackmann".

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USE BEARS TO REACH POLE.

Capt. Amundsen Has Had Animals
Trained to Draw Sledges.

HAMBURG, Oct. 10.—Capt. Roald Amundsen, the well-known Danish explorer, who is about to start on a polar expedition, has decided to try a remarkable innovation in the use of draught animals for polar travel. He will endeavor to make polar bears draw his sledges.

Some time ago Capt. Amundsen made a contract with Carl Hagenback, the famous animal trainer, for 20 ice bears three years old. Hagenback's men have been industriously at work for a month training the bears, and the results attained are said to promise success for them in polar work. The animals will be shipped to Christiania this week, where they will be taken on board Capt. Amundsen's ship.

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GARDINER E. THORPE,
Superintendent.Boston Office,
49 Federal Street, cor. Franklin.

Oct. 11

My Dear George—

I have been very patient and considerate towards your belligerent partner, and have waited a whole week for those convincing, damning "proofs" that her friend Perry had up his sleeve and which he was about to give the public; absolutely proving poor Dr. Cook to be a Fakir, a Chameleon, and a liar!

Three days ago I knew the Secretary of the Arctic Club, Bridgman, when he worked on a Boston paper. Last week I met him on the street & asked him when the threatened proofs were to be sprung on the public. He said "Sunday". Afterwards he said as some of the papers did not have a Sunday edition, they would call it Monday — sure!

Monday has come, but where, oh where are those fatal "proofs"? My sympathy goes out to dear Hattie in this hour of anxiety and sore distress!

Yours,

J.C.

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49 Federal Street, cor. Franklin.

Oct. 14

My Dear George —

Tell Hattie not to shoot! I climb down the tree as gracefully as I can, & take off my hat to her, who so valiantly and energetically proclaimed that Dr. Cook never climbed Mt. McKinley! This humiliating surrender comes after sending to-night's Transcript, containing the affidavit of the man whom Cook said he photographed on the highest peak of the Mountain.

Well, well, well — A civilization a failure and the Caucasian played out? Whom can we believe?

Unless we have in the morning paper an explanation from the Doctor, my address will be either at the Massachusetts General Hospital, or the Danvers Hematic Hospital!

Further deponent says the naught.

Hurray for the loyal Hattie!

Crape for 30 days for her Believed J.C.

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GARDINER E. THORPE,
Superintendent.Boston Office, Jan. 10. 1906
100 Franklin St., cor. Devonshire.

My Dear George

I fill my pipe, and read your
Comforting note of the 9th.
What is this I see? As I peek around
the hedge bordering the path that leads up to the
famous wicket-gate, I see the form of a woman
closely veiled, as if seeking refuge from observation, slowly
and with hesitating steps, approach the dear
custodian of the Blessed Realm.

"Name?" Enquires St. Peter.

"Harriet Kennedy" whispers the applicant.

"All right. I have heard of you. Welcome!"

"What? Nothing against my going in?" I was
afraid my record was not absolutely clear.

"Wait a moment, till I telephone the Recording Angel."

[A pause] All right. Madam, not a think against you or
our books!

"But not long ago, I am sure I opposed in
failing to accept an invitation to dinner with some dear old
friends of mine in Boston, and I feel —"

"What were their names?"

"The Remonds — 18 West Cedar St."

"Remonds? Never heard of them! They are not our

books. You had better come right in, where it is warm. Here is a check
for a front seat, where you belong!" — and my pipe went out!
as ever, Faithfully, Jack Remond.

1911

April

My dear George.

— Congratulate

you on being chosen

member of the Phila-

delphia University.

— I have no doubt that

your interpretation of the

Scriptures.

Return the good

words and

—

over

abt the d d d
in Mr Bucks
present (a Book)
to JCR

donum dedi
dedicavit

discomfort from a postle-
land for a year past.
and a week preceding the
twenty-seventh of October -
the day he entered the Hos.
pital - he was in pain
and generally miserable.
A week after he entered
that is, November ~~seventeenth~~

third - last - Thursday -

Dr. Paul Thornolake oper-
ated. John is making a

fine recovery and in a
few days will be able to

get to see son. I fear

can give him a half
hour of your time. Shall

a special permit to go -

2 John has had Every

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attention that one could
desire. Dr. Hall, assist-
ant Superintendent, is
Dr. Rome's "mouth-piece"
and has passed
the word all along
the line. that he is to
be made comfortable.

with my sister Mrs Perkins
come along with Katherine
sailing in Every day to visit
John. He is quite unwell
I think and if it is not very
far from it he will feel
as long a time. I suppose
he may be there two weeks
longer. It is so clear. making
a comfortable memory. With kindest

Katharine & Mr. Mead were
in New York - or rather N.
Hav. & Mr. Mead off shooting
- and knew nothing of John's
sudden arrival. until
Wednesday last. when a spec-
tacular not. longer keeps
back the coming news. K.
was on the train facing from
Rye to New York when she
read my letter. and took the
even train for Boston that
day. leaving her gun and
Mr. Mead to pack &
send her trunk after her.
Of course she has been
a great comfort. & me-
to her father. I am spending

Believe me -

Faithfully yours.

Katharine Maud

June 11th 1911 -

FISHER AVENUE
BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS

He spoke to Loring
of your last Monday
and wrote in Professor
Buck's book. His own
name (it was one
of ^{the} last times
that he used a
pencil) and yours.
He had been much
pleased at Professor
Buck's gift and

My dear St. Kennedy.

I think you know
from Miss Teller
that Father's suffering
are over now and
that his last physical
trouble is only a
question of days -
You were there
I mean during that

dreadful two days
when his mind
began to break
down. It all
came very suddenly
but it was so
decided and he
was feeling so
lost that we felt
justified in having
him given that

medicines morphine to
give him rest. He passed
no one down and is brought
most of the time. I know
that he is having very heavy
down for him that some he
down and that the only
thing now is to prevent the
painful where -

your visit this
year was less
than you can realize
I feel truly that
I had not written
to spare you the
last two but every-
thing happened so
fast just then I have
is nothing any of us
can do now until
the last comes of all.

FISHER AVENUE
BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS

it had been on
his bed both all
the winter. His
world had narrow-
ed to his own
four walls and the
things about him
were his most
precious possessions
and in looking

this panting gift
to you. He was
including one of
the things he
most prized.

Father was
sailing a week
ago when Dr Jackson
and I told him
about the nature

of his illness and he had
there a few days in which
to speak of the friends.
He also had several
beautiful letters from
Philip which gave him
great comfort.
He now appreciated the

GREAT FALLS, N. H., MAY 29, 1843.

KATHARINE BATES RAND.

BOSTON, MASS., MARCH 18, 1910.

SHE OPENETH HER MOUTH WITH WISDOM;
AND IN HER TONGUE IS THE LAW OF KINDNESS.
SHE LOOKETH WELL TO THE WAYS OF HER HOUSEHOLD,
AND EATETH NOT THE BREAD OF IDLENESS.
HER CHILDREN RISE UP, AND CALL HER BLESSED;
HER HUSBAND ALSO, AND HE PRAISETH HER.

PROVERBS XXXI: 26-28.

TO SOME OF THE APPRECIATIVE FRIENDS OF
MRS. RAND.

THE SELECTION OF A SIMPLE "MEMENTO MORI," APPROPRIATE TO HER MANY-SIDED CHARACTER, HAS BEEN INDEED A DIFFICULT PROBLEM.

MANY KNEW HER UNSELFISH ACTIVITY IN SOCIAL, CLUB, CHURCH AND CHARITABLE WORK. GRACEFUL RECOGNITION OF THIS ATTRIBUTE IS EVIDENCED BY THE ACTION TAKEN BY THREE OF THE ASSOCIATIONS WITH WHICH SHE WAS IDENTIFIED AT THE TIME OF HER DECEASE.

IN MEMORIAM.

THE MODERN WHIST CLUB OF BOSTON ADJOURNED THEIR WEEKLY MEETING ON THE DAY OF THE FUNERAL OF THEIR DECEASED TREASURER.

THE SHAKESPEARE CLUB OF MEDFORD ADJOURNED THEIR REMAINING MEETINGS OF THE SEASON IN MEMORY OF THE LOSS OF ONE OF THEIR CHARTER MEMBERS.

THE LADIES' INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY OF ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON, PLACED THE FOLLOWING UPON THEIR RECORDS:

AT THIS THE FIRST MEETING OF OUR SOCIETY SINCE THE DEATH OF MRS. RAND, WE WISH TO RECORD OUR APPRECIATION OF HER DEVOTED SERVICES.

MRS. RAND WAS OUR PRESIDENT FOR SIX YEARS. IT IS INADEQUATE TO SAY THAT SHE PERFORMED FAITHFULLY THE DUTIES OF HER OFFICE. SHE DID INEXPRESSIBLY MORE THAN THAT. DAY BY DAY THROUGH ALL THE YEAR SHE TOOK UP OUR WORK, AND CARRIED IT TO EVEN LARGER USEFULNESS.

TO THE BENEFICIARIES SHE WAS A WISE AND GENEROUS FRIEND, GIVING THEM HER TIME, HER HOME AND HERSELF. TO US, HER CO-WORKERS, SHE WAS A TRUE LEADER, AN INSPIRATION IN THE WAYS OF INDUSTRY, LOYALTY AND PEACE.

WE REMEMBER HER IN LOVE, AND SEND TO HER HUSBAND AND CHILDREN OUR SYMPATHY IN THEIR SORROW.

TO THOSE WHO SAW LITTLE OF HER HOME LIFE IN THE FAMILY, (TO WHOM SHE GAVE HER BEST) POSSIBLY A REPRODUCTION OF A SONNET SHE COMPOSED IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS OF A CERTAIN DAY, AFTER SHE HAD LEARNED OF THE SUCCESSFUL CONVALESCENCE OF HER "DEAR BOY" (ABSENT FROM HOME IN THE FAR DISTANT WEST) MAY NOT BE UNACCEPTABLE. IT MAY REVEAL A PHASE OF HER VERSATILITY NOT GENERALLY KNOWN, EVEN AMONG HER BEST FRIENDS. SHE SHONE BRIGHTEST IN THE CLIMAX OF THAT PERFECTED TRINITY OF DAUGHTER, WIFE AND MOTHER.

John C. Rand.

NIGHT THOUGHTS.

WHEN IN THE NIGHT, MY THOUGHTS FLOW OUT TO THEE,
SUPPRESSED BY DAY, THROUGH CARES' RESTRICTING BOND,
OFT I ARISE, THAT THOU MAY'ST TRULY SEE
WHAT DEPTHS OF LOVE I BEAR TO THEE SO FOND.
LOVE LIKE MINE, E'EN SELFISH THOUGH IT BE,
IN LOVING THUS ITSELF IN OTHER FORM,
BRINGS PEACE, AND JOY, AND ALL THAT COMFORTS ME,
AND HEAVEN'S CLEAR LIGHT SUCCEEDS THE BLINDING STORM.
DEAR BOY, DID WE NO PAINFUL TRIALS KNOW,
E'EN JOYS TOO WOULD NE'ER O'ERFLOW THE HEART.
CLOUDS IN THE SUMMER SKY THAT LOWER LOW,
BY CONTRAST, SHOW HEAVEN'S BLUE A THING APART.
HOW SEASONS KNOW, IF ALL LIKE GARB THEY WEAR?
HOW HEART'S JOY KNOW, BUT FROM THE SOUL'S DESPAIR?

KATHARINE B. RAND,
SEPTEMBER, 1898,
4 O'CLOCK A.M.

Bethlehem Pa. Nov 1. 1900

Dear Sir,

Please accept my thanks for
the ^{& Portia} memoir of E. Faxon which you so
kindly sent me. At one time I Exchanged
Sphagna with ^{Mr. Faxon} when I paid particular
attention to the collection & classif. of
these interesting Mosses. Again thanking
you for the favor I remain

Yours truly
Eugene A. Rau

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Mr George G. Kennedy
Hyde Park
Mass.

The New Wallingford

P. A. LANE, MANAGER

WALLINGFORD, VT., Aug 24 1907

My dear Dr. Kennedy
We are still enjoying
Vermont air and scenery
and the good care and
fare of Mr & Mrs. Lane.

The past week a party
of eleven - including Mrs Lane
and Glynn took a days outing
to Mt. Holly and vicinity. It
is a beautiful trip, we enjoyed
it exceedingly - I am sorry
you could not have remained
longer. While we are not much
at botany, all of us enjoyed
your talks on the subject - and
miss you and Mrs. Kennedy

from our upper piazza -
The girls have printed some
cards and I will enclose
one or two of them.

Mrs. Raymond and daughters
join me in kindest regards to
Mrs. Kennedy and yourself.

Yours cordially
Maudie A. Raymond

Dr. George Kennedy
Hilton Mass

12 Louisburg Square,
Boston, Mass.

Feb. 7, 1915.

Dear Doctor,

I hereby thank
you for what I suppose
I owe to your kindness,
namely, a copy of your
Class Book printed in
connection with the
fiftieth anniversary.
I have taken great pleas-
ure in reading it. Verily,
"tempus fugit". Next June
my own class will cel-

celebrate its 60th anni-
versary.

Affectionately yours,
James Reed.

Jamaica Plain, Mass., September 28, 1914.

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

Some time ago Mr. Taxon told me that you had asked him for an explanation of the name *Hydrastis*. At that time I could not give him any clue and particularly the meaning of the words "*Ellisii a nobiliss. virginie americ.*" was very puzzling to me. A few days ago I looked up the matter further and found that Ellis had proposed to Linnaeus to name the plant *Coldenella* after Miss Jane Colden, but Linnaeus apparently changed the name to *Hydrastis* for some reason or other without omitting the reference to ~~him~~ Ellis' intention.

In a letter dated April 25, 1758 (see Smith, James Edward. A selection of the correspondence of Linnaeus... I. 95. 1821) Ellis says: "This young lady [Jane Colden, see p. 94 & 98] merits your esteem ... her father has a plant called after him *Colenia*, suppose you should call this *Coldenella* or any other name that might distinguish her ~~cal~~ among your genera". No reference to the plant or the name appears ~~is~~ afterwards in the correspondence between Linnaeus and Ellis.

The name ^{*Hydrastis*} appears first in Linnaeus Syst. Nat. ed. X. 1088 (1759) with "Ellis" after the diagnosis and nothing else. The phrase "*a nobiliss. virginie americ.*" does not appear until 1764 in Gen. Plant. ed. VI. 283.

In Gray's Manual the meaning of the name is given as doubtful; Britton says: From the Greek, water-acting. I am inclined to believe

that it is derived from ὕδωρ and ἄστυς, citizen; Linnaeus apparently thought that the plant lived in the water; in Spec. Pl. 146 he ^{says} quotes in a note under Hydrophyllum virginianum: "Hydrophyllum verum canadensium in aquis natum diversisissima planta" and later he quotes Hydrophyllum verum as a synonym to Hydrastis. Or possibly the name is derived from ὕδραστis, a plant-name used by Dioscorides.

Hoping that the preceding notes will help you to form an opinion about the etymology of Hydrastis I remain

Yours sincerely

Herbert Rehder.

President,
O. B. HADWEN.

Secretary,
NATHANIEL T. KIDDER.

Treasurer,
CHARLES E. RICHARDSON.



MASSACHUSETTS HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

(INCORPORATED 1829.)

300 MASSACHUSETTS AVE.

Boston, 1 July 1902.

Dr. Geo. J. Kennedy Readville.

My dear Dr. Kennedy It is with a great deal of pleasure that I inform you of the successful termination of the Horticultural Society matter and that I am now duly installed ~~in~~ the office of Secretary and Librarian of this honorable institution.

I desire also to express to you my most sincere thanks for the kind and efficient influence which you have exerted in my behalf. Even if I had been unsuccessful the thought of the good opinions which my friends have expressed regarding me would have been very pleasing.

I fear that I shall find it difficult to live up to the standard of merit which you and other friends have bestowed upon me. I shall look forward with pleasure to the opportunities of meeting you at Horticultural Hall, which I trust will be frequent. With kind regard I am most truly yours Wm. P. Rich



President,
HENRY P. WALCOTT, M.D.

Secretary,
WILLIAM P. RICH.

Treasurer,
CHARLES E. RICHARDSON

MASSACHUSETTS HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

HORTICULTURAL HALL,
300 MASSACHUSETTS AVE.

Boston, Mass., U. S. A. 6 October 1904.

*George G. Kennedy, M.D.
Readville.*

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

*I am pleased to acknowledge with thanks
the receipt as a gift to this Library of your "Flora of Willough-
by, Vermont".*

*The autograph copy kindly sent to me personally is
also much appreciated.*

With kind regards I am

Very truly yours,

Wm. P. Rich

Secy. and Librai.

To the Subscribers to the Ellen H. Richards Research Fund:

To you as one of those who have kindly helped in raising this memorial fund, the committee take great pleasure in reporting the success of the plan. The sum of \$15,000 has been contributed and is to be paid to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to be held by it and known as the Ellen H. Richards Research Fund. The income of this fund is to be devoted to the promotion of research in sanitary chemistry, the branch of science to whose development Mrs. Richards so greatly contributed. It is understood that the income will be utilized by the Institute for the award of fellowships to advanced students competent to pursue this line of research, and for the employment of research assistants, and in such other ways as will best promote investigations in the field in question.

Faithfully yours,

For the Committee,

George Wigglesworth,

Treasurer.



February 21-1909.

Mr. George S. Kennedy,
Residence, Mass.

My dear Mr. Kennedy:-

I am planning an A. M. C. Natural
History meeting for the evening
of April 8th (possibly the 15th) to be
held in the Club Room. I want
a twenty minute paper on

and Watkins," illustrated with
specimens. I trust the date is
not too late for good specimens.
The Cathartes & the Alders were
beautiful all through Georgia
last week. Will you kindly
give us this paper?

I am asking Miss Pamela
Adams of Brookline, to give
a short paper on the "April
Birds" the same evening, after

the paper, I hope we can have
discussion, an exchange of out-
door experiences, and a cup of
chocolate. ^{for} The next day

am planning a Nature History
walk.

Kindly answer to home address
36 Longwood Avenue, Brookline, Mass.

Very truly

Harriet E. Richards

Stamham Mass
November 1st 1906

Dear Mr Kennedy

I am in bad condition
physically and found that I
can not do much so am
not able to come to see you
until I am better can you
advise me where I can go to
good man to examine my
legs and feet - expect to have
a pair of rubber stockings and
want a pair of good durable
shoes I want a good talk
with you before I make any
move I am worse than I thought

I am very much worse
than I thought I was and want
your good kind advice

If you are able to come out
to see me at my sister in
law's It would a great kindness
If Mrs Kennedy is able it will
be a pleasure to have her
you will meet me there in
her pleasant home 29 Maple
St If you come at game
can arrange it will find us
at home

I shall be here this week
and next so you will hope
to come with love to all

Yours always

Mabel Richardson

To John M. [unclear]
De [unclear] [unclear]
to [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

Miss Sawyer
at the main [unclear] Corp/
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
or his partner

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Dec. 30, 1910

WELLESLEY COLLEGE,
WELLESLEY, MASSACHUSETTS.

Dr. George G. Kennedy,
Readville, Mass.

My dear Dr. Kennedy,-

Upon taking charge of the
Cryptogamic Herbarium of the New
England Botanical Club, I was
told that we were indebted to you
for the organization of the
Presses. I am, therefore,
writing to you to ask about the
packets which you used, a sample
of which I enclose. Can you
tell me whether these were made
up to order, or you bought the paper
and made the packets yourself?

And where did you buy the
pockets (or the paper)?

I like them very much and wish
to lay in a supply for future use
on the Club Herbarium.

Trusting that I am not
troubling you too much, I am

Sincerely yours,

Lincoln W. Riddle

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BERKELEY

Nov. 29, 1909

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

Mrs. Kennedy has always very kindly remembered Frederick Hodges let James & I have thought she might like a suggestion. Books he always reads with a dash & then puts on a shelf to be forgotten. The most helpful presents have been magazines. Something that comes through the mail in his own name he looks forward to with a helpful

interest. The Outlook would
be the very best present that
I could suggest. He is
in very good health and in
good spirits most of the time.
He often speaks of you with
great affection.

Very Sincerely

C. H. Reber

M. D. BISBEE,
Librarian.

Dartmouth College Library.

sent him bound copy

Danover, N. H., Sept. 27..... 1907

Dr. G. B. Kennedy,
Readville, Mass.
My dear Sir: -

Will you please inform me
where I may procure a copy of your monograph
on the plants of the Willoughby Lake region?

Very truly yours

Harold Goddard Pegg 659
Box 569

Hanover, N. H.

Nov. 22, 1907.

Mr. George G. Kennedy.
Readville, Mass.

My dear Sir: -

I have been
away for a couple of weeks' vacation
and upon my return I find your
copy of the "Flora of Willoughby, H."

I want to thank you very much
indeed for the book. I assure you
I shall find it of great value, &
I hope to visit the Willoughby
region this coming summer.

Again thanking you, I remain,

Very truly yours
Harold Goddard Pegg.

Washington, Nov 27th
1821. J. S.

Dear Dr Kennedy,

I have received with
much pleasure your
very kind letter, & am
glad to hear good news
of you & Mrs Kennedy.

The photographs you sent
me are of much interest,
& the one of Edinburgh
Castle, recalls vividly to
my mind, our visit to

Scotland many years ago,
at the time of the
Scott Centennial.

I remember too, the
beautiful Lake District,
& Grasmere & I like
to look back upon the
days we passed there.

I am passing the
Winter in Washington,
to be near my son, &
daughter in law, & am
fortunate in being next
door to them, so that I

can see them every day.
If I should be in your
neighborhood at any time,
(I need not assure you,
it would be a pleasure
to me, to have an
opportunity of seeing you
& Mrs Kennedy).

My son joins me, in
very kind remembrances
to you both; & with
many kind wishes, I am
Sincerely yours,
Grace W. Rives.

I need not tell you,
Dear Dr Kennedy, how
often I have thought
of the kindness I
received from you &
Mrs Kennedy during
my stay at Readville.
It gives me great
pleasure. I send you
a little souvenir for

Your Library. I hope
you will find it
useful, & that it may
sometimes recall one of
your near neighbors.

With my kindest
remembrances to Mrs
Kennedy, & with best
wishes for a pleasant
summer, believe me,

Sincerely yours,
Grace W. Biver.

The Lenox
May 25th -

and July 5, 07

June 13.07

CA' STRUAN,
PONTE DELLA SALUTE,
VENICE.

Dear Mr Kennedy

as an old friend of your Father's when he used to be on the Penn-
era I was delighted to get your address from Mr Wm Brewster, & I cannot refrain from sending you a line.

I should like to see you - I wonder if you are like your Father. He was a wonderful man, gentle, sim-

cere, good, able, highland
Scottish in all his
sympathies,

I have heard
from Mrs Brewster that
you are prosperous &
a great botanical stu-
dent. Your Father
had a wonderful
knowledge of herbs.

I am the
Scottish minister here - I

may say American,
for my congregations
are largely, sometimes
wholly American. I
also hope one day to
visit America, but
it is difficult to
get away, work is
so pressing here -

With kindest

Yours sincerely
Alexander Robertson

Inverness, Fla.

Mar. 14, 1892.

Mr Geo. G. Kennedy,
Readville, Mass.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Feb. 24 was forwarded to me.

I am glad to hear that you have been interested in my papers on "Flowers & insects". The only publication I have made as yet is that of the series with the above title, in the Gazette, the parts on Umbelliferae & on Aschlinadaceae to Scrophulariaceae in the Trans. St. Louis Acad. Sciences, & some papers on insects in the Trans. Am. Ent. Soc. These were merely stitched together & distributed under the title of "Biological Papers". I can send these papers for \$1.00, but not until I return to Illinois about the first of May. I am working in the same line & hope to issue a series on the relations of Florida flowers & insects.

Yours truly

Charles Robertson.

Salun, Jan. 9. 1901.

My dear Dr. Kennedy -

I thank you for
the separate from Rhodora
the notice of *M. cuneifolium*.
It is the best and truest
obituary I ever read -
I told his father at the
time it came out

that it contained more
that was worth preserving
than many bulky volumes
we find on library shelves.
I should like to feel that
I was worthy of such a
tribute and could have
it done by a sympathetic
and judicious friend

as Mr. Faym found in
yourself -

- Sam

Very truly yours

John Robinson

Salem, Oct. 6/04

My dear Sir:

I thank you
very much for sending
me the Willoughby Flora,
and I shall take much
pleasure in going
through it in the
exceedingly mild form

I have no personal
knowledge of Willoughby,
but a relative of
mine was a constant
visitor to the region
years ago and an
enthusiastic admirer
of it. I knew it, too,
as one of Mr. Edwin Faxon's
favorite resort and
collecting grounds.

Wishing I could make
you a fitting return for
this and other favors

Yours very truly Yours.

John Robinson

Brook Farm,
East Foxboro, Mass.

July 26, 1913.

Dr. B. G. Kennedy.
Reading, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Please accept
my thanks for the
check. your kindness
in this matter has
been greatly appreciated
by me. I feel sure
that after reading the
book you will be
a thorough convert to
it and should you
at any time care to
give copies of it as
gifts to your friends
I will be glad to fill
your orders.

I am

Respectfully yours.

John R. Childs.

Mr. George Kennedy,
Reading Mass.

Dear Sir,

Will you may have received from
one of our members an expression of
grateful remembrance for the
"Gleanings of the Flora of Killarney"
which you sent - to our members of
Ireland nature club, as a token of our
sincere thanks to you
for the same.

Yours very truly

(Miss) Mary J. F. F. F.
Secretary

Wm. R. Linsmont
R.F.D. 2, Box 38,
May 16 1911

and

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM

S. P. LANGLEY
SECRETARY, SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 5, 1900.

Dr. Geo. G. Kennedy,
Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Mr. Kennedy:

I have just received your very interesting little sketch of Mr. Edwin Faxon. I have been looking forward to this sketch for some time. I happened to be at Cambridge just at the time when Dr. Robinson was planning for its publication and so I became especially interested in seeing it in print.

I shall send you in a few weeks my new Revision of the North American Umbelliferae.

Yours very truly,



Assistant Curator,

Division of Plants.

235 Commonwealth Ave.

Jan. 16, 1906

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

The Thursday
Evening Club meets
here this week at 8:15
and I should be
glad if you would
come as my guest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Lawrence Potch

Dr. George G. Kennedy,
Milton.



Roxbury Historical Society.

Organized as the Roxbury Military Historical Society, December 9, 1891.
Reorganized as the Roxbury Historical Society and Incorporated May 15, 1901.

Society Rooms, Municipal Court Building, Roxbury Street.

Walter R. Mcins, Clerk,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Roxbury,.....February 17,.....1912.

Dr. George G. Kennedy,
284 Warren Street,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

My dear Sir:-

By reason of an error in my records, I find that a bill for dues for the present year was recently sent you, in payment of which you forwarded check to the Treasurer of the Society. As you are a Life Member, you are not subject, of course, to any dues, and I am therefore pleased to enclose herewith check in repayment.

Yours very truly,

Walter R. Mcins.

Clerk.

WRM/ILS
(Enclosure.)

Caggie G. March

Dear Madam

I regret more than I can say to have repeatedly missed your kind visit. It is the fault of the Dr. who recommends me to spend as much of the afternoon as I can in the country air. I thank you very much for your letter of verse. I am too unwell for the present to enjoy Poetry, but I hope to be able to do it justice in a little while.
May all happiness attend you. Merci des Fleurs J. B.

Giovanni Ruffini

222 W. 132nd St., New York, N. Y. Feb 8, 1895

Dear Sir:-

I have despatched to
you today, by Adams Ex., all
the books ordered by you,
with the exception of No. 187,
which cannot be found. I
therefore return you check for
\$1.00 in balance acct.

Trusting that the copy will
be safely received and will
give satisfaction.

Yours very truly

H. H. Rusby,

222 W. 132nd St., New York, N. Y. Feb. 13, 1895-

Dear Sir:-

The nos. after 165 relate to books owned by P. V. Le Roy, and that part of the list was prepared by the Misses Le Roy some time ago. When lately we asked them to send the books down from Peekskill, so that we could sell them, they reported that they could not find the Don. Cest. I am therefore responsible only in having my name signed to the list. I have not seen the book myself and fear there is little hope of its turning up. Should it do so, it will go to you.

Regretfully that I cannot
gratify you in this instance.

Very truly yours
H. H. Bush.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY,
OF THE
CITY OF NEW YORK.

OFFICE OF THE DEAN.

115-119 WEST 68TH STREET

Nov. 12. 1894.

Dear Mr. Kennedy:-

I feel very grateful
for the copy of your Mileage
I have sent me, as well as for
your having written it. It carries
me back to one of the happiest
years of my life, bringing a pure
personal pleasure, aside from the
great interest in so fine a
presentation of its subject.

Trusting you

Yours truly,
J. W. Bushy.

115 Br. 68th St. N. York, N.Y. 31, 1900,
Gen M. Kennedy:-

I have searched through
my entire stock of duplicates,
which I had to do piecemeal,
as I could get no opportunity, for
they are not at all arranged, for
the specimen of *Prenanthes* which
you asked for. I have not been
able to find it. My recollection
is that I found only one or two
specimens, and I think they went
into the Columbia's herbarium.
I shall visit that herbarium
on Tuesday next and will
try and find the specimen.
I collected it about half way
up the mountain, at a ^{snowy, open} spot,
which is used as a resting-
place and lookout. You will
perhaps recognize the spot from
this description.

I have examined many specimens
presumably collected by Mr. Wood at
Milloughby, but none are like either
locality or date upon the label. In-
deed, very few of his labels have.
I am very sorry to send so unsatisfactory
a report. Yours sincerely H. J. Busby.

BOSTON, March 2nd 1892

My dear Dr. Kennedy,

Thank you very much indeed for the specimens of Isoetes and for your note. At the first opportunity I shall submit a specimen to some special authority, and will send you the determination when I receive it.

You do not know how glad I am to add the name of another collector to our Mt. Desert list. I particularly desire to rescue the work as far as I can from the clutches of a chosen few. I therefore also bear in mind your statement regarding Carex Houghtonii on Greer Mt., and shall enter it on our catalogue.

I wish there were something I could send you in return for the Isoetes. Would you care for Carex Nova-Engliae?

That at present business has put an end to any botanical work or thoughts, but I shall attend to the Isoetes as soon as I can.

Yours very sincerely
Edward L. Rand.

BOSTON, March 16 1892

My dear Dr. Kennedy,

I shall send you today or tomorrow by mail a bit of *Carex Novae Angliae*. I took it from the Herbarium last evening in some haste, and now find that it is over ripe. Take it, however, for the present, and some day I will send a better one.

You need not distress yourself in the least because you fancy it "too great a return for the *Isoetes*". I like to keep out of the regular exchange of specimens, and give whatever I can spare freely to those I think will appreciate Mt. Desert specimens. Perhaps sometime I can send you something else you would like from that part of the world. I am only sorry that lack of means and lack of time combined keep me from doing such botanical work at Mt. Desert as I wish to undertake, and thus prevent me from making a more general distribution of specimens.

I have heard from Prof. Underwood in regard to the *Isoetes*. He calls it *I. riparia*. You see you have well deserved the *Carex*, and more, too, for this species of *Isoetes* is new to the Mt. Desert list.

Thanking you for your kind interest and for the specimens,

Yours very truly

Edward L. Rand.

Dr. George G. Kennedy

NEW ENGLAND BOTANICAL CLUB.

The Exchange Building
Boston, June 18 1898

My dear Dr. Kennedy,

Thank you for your offer to look over the proof of the moss-list. It is a list of New Brunswick mosses sent by Mr. Hay. I can readily see that I can assist him very little with the very few books at my command. I will tell him of your kind offer, and ask him to let me know when he needs to have the proof returned.

I hope you will have a delightful time on Mt. Washington. I am greatly disappointed that I cannot join the party. Affairs at the office, however, are in such a condition that it is really impossible for me to get away.

I, too, wish so much that you had been able to be at Mt. Desert with Mr. Faxon. I shall miss him more than I can tell you. He was indeed a most lovable man, one whose place cannot be filled. It is a great comfort to me to know that death came to him just as he expected it would come, and that it came to him in the open air amidst everything he loved.

Sincerely yours
Edward L. Rand

Boston

December 5th 98

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

I congratulate you on your election as Cryptogamic Curator of the Club. You ought to have been at the meeting. We had a very interesting talk from Dr. Sanong, and a very good time in every way.

You and I have been appointed a Committee to prepare an account of the life of Edwin Faxon for permanent preservation. This ought to be done, but I fear Charles Faxon may not entirely approve. I think, however, that he is not likely to object to anything we prepare if we consult him and learn his wishes in the matter.

If you see him before I do, you had better speak of it. It would indeed be a great wrong, if such a good and wise man as Edwin Foxen should be allowed to leave us unnoticed.

Very sincerely yours
Edward L. Rand

Cambridge

Jan. 28th 1899

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

It was very curious that after our delay in seeing Charles Faxon, we should have chosen the same day for our purpose. You have priority, however, for I did not see him until evening.

I am very glad indeed to find that he is very much pleased with the action of the Club, and really desires to have an account printed of his brother's life. He even suggested himself that a portrait should accompany the article. We have a warm friend, too, in Mr. Faxon's nephew, Mr. Wharf. They are already getting in formation for it. When done, it is certain

is ready it will be sent to you.

I hope I shall see you at the Club meeting on Friday. You will not be too much.

The unfortunate Secretary had a long, long interview with Mr. Manning in regard to the action of the Council on his candidates for membership. Manning is very touching, but is very straight forward and reasonable. I think everything is all right now after some explanation. So far as I can find out both of Manning's candidates will be far more credit to the Club than many of the men we have elected without much question. I have advised ^{with} to see a few members of the Council before long, and explain the matter, so that the Council may have the information it desires.

Very sincerely yours
Edward Lane

EDWARD L. RAND,
740 EXCHANGE BUILDING,
53 STATE STREET.

BOSTON, *January 8th 1901*

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

Thank you very much indeed for the copy of your paper on Mr. Faxon with its most satisfying portrait. All Mr. Faxon's friend owe you a great debt for your labor of love.

Although his absence makes many a beautiful spot lonely, what a blessing it is that we cannot forget this lovable man.

With best regards to Mrs. Kennedy,

Very sincerely yours
Edward L. Rand.

Cambridge
January 12 1901

My dear Dr. Kennedy,

Your note
in regard to the India proofs
of the portrait of Mr. Faxon touches
me in a very tender spot. I
greatly appreciate your kind-
thought of me.

I hope you will be able to at-
tend the Council meeting on
Monday. I am told that some
of the members may be unable
to come, so the rest of us
must do our best.

Very sincerely yours
Edward L. Rand

EDWARD L. RAND,
740 EXCHANGE BUILDING,
53 STATE STREET.

BOSTON, Feb 9 1903

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

I looked at the Mt Desert specimens of *Lagima nodosa* yesterday. They are decidedly glabrous at first sight, but - under a glass or held against the light they show on the stems a few scattered dark glandular hairs standing out at right angles. This seems a very slight distinction on which to found a variety, especially as all English authors I have at hand mention the occurrence of these scattered hairs. Are your Cutler plants entirely free from them?

Sincerely yours Edward L. Rand

BOSTON, June 16, 1904

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

"Rhodora" came this morning, and as a result I have been reading about the Willoughby flora instead of attending to business. Please accept my thanks for all the pleasure you have given me. The illustrations have a great deal of interest because they explain very clearly many remarks that Mr. Faxon used to make in regard to certain places at Mt. Desert. Some of the views you have given fit Mt. Desert as well as they do Willoughby.

I heartily congratulate you on this excellent list and the interesting introductions. All I can hope for now is to see Willoughby with you sometime.

I hope Mrs. Kennedy was none the worse for her trip to Concord. I could not help feeling that it was a tiresome journey for her to undertake, - but of course the occasion was a great one.

I hope Mrs. Kennedy liked Mrs. Rand, for Mrs. Rand seems to have fallen in love with her.

Wishing you all a most pleasant summer, and regretting that a suggestion of Mt. Desert finds no favor another year.

Sincerely yours
Edward L. Rand

BOSTON, October 1st 1907

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

Thank you very much for your letter. Your promise of more frequent attendance at the Club meetings this winter is very cheering. How about Charles Faxon? At any rate it is a comfort to know from your letter that you see him if nobody else does.

Judging from the weather today we shall not be likely to see you Friday evening. If you can find any good weather you had better take advantage of it. We have not had much since August left us.

I am very sorry I missed any calls from you. I was away from the last few days of July to the last week in August, about a month. I had a pleasant time at Seal Harbor, but did not do much botanizing. When I botanize there nowadays I walk with the Blessed Shadlee.

Hoping to see you soon, and with regards to C. E. F.

Sincerely
Edward L. Rand

New England Botanical Club,
123½ Bank Building,
BOSTON, MA

November 21

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

Will you let me know
me know the result of your conference
with Mr. Nash, so that I may assign him to
his proper place? I think that the situation
certainly ought to be placed before him as you
stated it last evening, more for his sake
than for that of the Club.

It was a great pleasure to see you again
last evening. I wish we could have had a more
interesting meeting. We "ramble" too much.
Sincerely Edw. Z. Rand



POSTAL CARD

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Dr George G. Kennedy
Readville
Mass

BOSTON, Nov. 24 1908

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

Thank you for your note. Mr. Nash ought to be much obliged to you for your efforts in his behalf. I hope he appreciates them, as he evidently did the force of your argument. The Club never should lose members by resignation unless there is really some good reason for it. I wish Mr. Nash could be persuaded to attend the meetings of the Club now and then. If he once acquired the habit of coming, I think he would not find so many reasons for staying away.

I was rather tired last Friday evening, and perhaps for this reason found the Council meeting rather unprofitable, - especially the discussion in regard to new members. There is so much criticism and so many objections to anyone who is not known or vouched for by two or three of the members that I do not wonder so few candidates are suggested. For instance, I cannot see why a person who is interested in botany and is doing his best under his conditions should not be elected to non-resident membership if he is anxious to belong, and he is properly proposed. The present opinion of the Council seems to hold the contrary view, unless he has published and has some distinction. Yet the Council will elect as a ~~resident~~ member a man who has done no work at all, has little interest in botany, and does not come at all to the meetings!

You see I stand, in a certain sense, between the Council and the members generally, and have heard some criticism of our methods.

I was very sorry to lose your call. It is a pity one has to take work that takes him away at the wrong time. I hope you will try again.

With regards to Mr. Kennedy
Sincerely yours Edward L. Rand

BOSTON, April 24, 1909

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

I was very sorry to miss your call the other day, for now that you do not come to the Club meetings as often I have few enough chances to see you. It seems as if I always chanced to be out when any one calls.

I was not at all worried about a remittance for the copies of the "Emendations", - in fact Rhodora does not wish one. If the fair creature can not show you such a slight favor, she is not worth much!

I often think of those old time tramps before Emile got married and Rich got fat. I have thought some time of going again, but life seems to have taken the necessary energy out of me. My head and eyes are troublesome factors in the solution of the problem just now. And then, too, I have not had any time at all to "cram up" on the new Manual.

Mrs Rand and I send our warm regards to both you and Mrs Kennedy.

Sincerely yours
Edward L. Rand

By the way, have you heard anything from the Chairman of the Writing Committee on Botany? I wrote him some time ago and asked what we ought to do, but have received no reply whatever. E.L.R.

1911

Boston, March 17

Dear Dr. Kennedy, It is a pleasure to hear from you, even if I have to call a Council meeting to gain it. I wish it were not such a long trip from Readville to Cambridge. I cannot blame you for not caring to take it, much as your presence is needed and desired by us all.

I wish I could see you once in a while, but I by day time I have to sit in my office waiting for the client who always expects me to be ready whether he comes or not; and at night I am tired. I should indeed enjoy such walks as you speak of. Perhaps when the weather is more settled you will ask me sometime, and I'll try to come if my internal machinery is in working order.

I read again the other evening Bradford Torrey's tribute to Edwin Huxon. How glad we all are that he lived among us and we knew him.

Always most sincerely

Edward L. Rand

Boston

September 26

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

I wish I were to see you on October 4th, but I suppose the darkness and distance will keep you away from us.

I hope you have had a pleasant summer. I hear of you now and then from Williams & Deane, but I wish I did not do all my seeing with the eyes of others. It is a pity I have so little time to give to those I wish to see.

Tomorrow comes a Knowlton meeting to discuss the proposed increase in subscription price. I wish the Club would support its own journal instead of putting this work and responsibility on the Editorial Board. I sometimes wonder why Dr. Robinson is willing to give his time to us.

Excuse this growl!

Sincerely always
Edward L. Rand

NEW ENGLAND BOTANICAL CLUB

1052 ~~THE~~ EXCHANGE BUILDING

BOSTON, Nov. 9 1911 189 .

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

I hardly dared hope that you would come to the meeting on Friday evening, for you have become a regular "man-afraid-of-the-dark". I cannot say I blame you when I think of the distance between Milton and Cambridge.

I am of course very sorry indeed that you feel you can not serve longer on the Council, but I can understand that you may not care to be a member if you do not attend meetings. However we know we have your interest and can ask your advice if any troublesome question arise in regard to new members or other govern ment.

The nominating Committee has sent in no report as yet. I am sorry Deane is so modest, and will not serve again as President. It is about time I think that Emile and I showed a little of the same modesty, - but perhaps the Committee will help us.

Sincerely always
Edward L. Rand

November 20

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

Thank you very much for the stamps. I confess I had never seen some of them before, or any-thing like them. Probably I am younger and the times, and therefore it is all the more good of you to educate me a little.

I must tell you how sorry I am that you are not to be on the Council next year. Of course it was a nuisance to think of the meetings; and if you do not care to go out in the dark some one ought to relieve you of the obligation. It is a comfort, however, to realize that you will give us just as much advice and interest as before, and you need not be at all surprised if late some evening you find the Council in a body trying to break in to your house to consult you!

But I for one do lament seeing you so little.

Always most sincerely
Edward L. Rand

Nothing has been heard from
the expelled one

April 10th

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

I am very sorry you could not attend the Committee meeting on Tuesday, for I had been looking forward to seeing you. Under the circumstances, however, I think you may be excused.

We really had a very pleasant time, - not the rather disagreeable time of last year. Dr. Farlow knows how to entertain, and how to stop the utterance of impudicous remarks by a supply of good food and drink.

Afterwards some of us went to the Gray Herbarium. How perfect everything is, and how wonderfully arranged.

Always most sincerely

Edward L. Rand

EDWARD L. RAND,
1052 EXCHANGE BUILDING,
53 STATE STREET.

BOSTON, February 9, 1915

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

You may think that the copy of your
Bliss Report was not appreciated, but I assure you
such was not the case. If you knew how much
pleasure you have given me, you would not think
for a moment that I was an unworthy donee.
I have been over it with the greatest interest,
and am especially delighted to have a representa-
tion of the beautiful tablet at the Gray Herbarium,
and the characteristic portrait of its beloved
and most generous donor. Even if you do not
appear in your kowling costume, I highly prize
you in your ordinary clothing.

Thank you very much for your kindness. I
hope I shall see you soon, even if you cannot
join us at the Botanical Club meetings.

Very sincerely yours
Edward L. Rand.

We have had a drought
for six weeks with no
fresh fires every way -
and now cold weather -
ever since you came in -
and for the last eight
days no end of rain.
I have a good coal
fire in my office today;
so I feel as comfortable
as you and Mrs Kennedy
did at the Adelphi.
I read Bill Minnow's
your letter about the
steamer and it
pleased him up a little.

Remember me to the
party and drop us a
line for the next Club
dinner. I will write
again if I know when
I will finally

Will L. R

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,
BOSTON.

June 21/03
Dear George
I was delighted
to get your two letters
and to see how pleased
you were with Lynton.
Last night the Club
met and we missed
you as you may well
believe. We spoke of
you and the strawberries
and cherries and of
course drank your health.
The meeting was a
curious one. George
invited the Club to go to
Cohasset in the 9.43 train
and go fishing. So far
so good. What happened
was somewhat different:
Minnow mistook the
hour and went on the
8.43 train - so no one
met him at Cohasset and

he had the first...
up to George as best we
could. Widdie went on
the 9.43 train - and
George met him. All the
way down he thought he
had made a mistake
as no one else was with
him. A sudden case
at St. Margarets of my
crown necessitated a con-
sultation with a surgeon
so I telegraphed I would
come on the 4.10 train. This
I did and got as far as
South Borton when the engine
broke down and we waited
half an hour there. Reaching
Coker met 3/4 hour late I
had ~~walked~~ to walk 2/3 of
the way when George met
me he having been to
the Manchester boat for
Herry & Prentiss who said
they would come on the
4.20 boat which they did
not do - but took the 5.00
instead so they had
to get over as best they
could. Meanwhile Frank
& Maurice went after lunch,

with George in a small
steam launch fishing.
It was a cold raw day,
the wind blowing and
the sea rough. They
anchored about a mile
beyond Mincks. George
and Frank began to
fish; Billy was deathly
sick; Billy was deathly
sick and as Lynam
was sick and as Lynam
was pressed began to feed
the fishes. He offered
to sell his ticket to Europe
for fifty cents, came down
to a quarter and finally
tried to give it away.
He was so sick that they
had to come in and he
retired to a sofa and
slept. He could not
eat any dinner. The train
we started for the train
at 9.10 got to the
depot just as the train
was starting but the
conductor stopped and
we got aboard and
banded in Borton in a
heavy rain. It was a
curious affair all through.

The contracts for the
medical school buildings
are signed so I suppose
we shall get to work. We
have met a bad loss
however in the death

of Mr Shepley one of
the architects.

Remember me
to the party
as ever.

Will L. Richardson

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,
BOSTON.

July 19/03

Dear George,

Your letter
arrived Friday afternoon
and I read it to the
Club Saturday. We
had Sprague, Crocker,
& Cummings at Yungs
Hotel at 1 1/2. We drank
to go and Mumme
who sailed on the
Mayflower Thursday.
I have not seen him
as I have been two
weeks up Barnstable
and only came to
Boston Friday for the
Club. I leave Monday
a week at Islesboro
with Dr White and the
next Monday go to West

Barrett's at Manchester
for a week. Then
I sail on the New England
Aug 6th returning on
the Mayflower August 10th.
My headquarters
will be at Morley's
Hotel, Trafalgar Square -
so drop me a line there
and let me know where
in the world you are.
I do not know Murres
intends at all - so I cannot
tell you his whereabouts.
I presume Baring Bros
would know.

Cummings has
bought a house at Paris
Maine and is going
there for a few weeks
and then is going to
build a camp on
Moosehead - at Leav-

Mont is what he expected
to do. The house is
is fine.

George L. L. Kenyon
platform out West
at a railroad station in
the evening, broke his
wheel and had to leave
his post unprotected.
Barstuble Jones a day
ago knew his wife well.
S. says she has been
sitting for a number
of years up Brussels
with her five daughters.

I hope you have
not had the hat spell
we have had - three
days over 90°. Today it
is a cold North East
storm. I spoke has
bought a house for a
month of months at
West Hill and then
over into the woods for
a month. Crocker is
off this week to the
camp in the Adirondacks.

as the city is to be all
decorated for the reception
of the French officers on
Thursday and Friday.

I shall see the pro-
cession Thursday and
the next day we sail.
I shall be home Saturday
in time I hope for the
Club dinner.

I hope you will
have a successful
view of the eclipse and
come back all right.

Remember me to the
party as ever

Will -

Aug. 6/45

Dear George,

I was very
glad to get your letter with
the account of your
voyage. I am so sorry
that I did not know you
were going by the
Holland line - for I wanted
to go that way - had got
the sailing list - and would
have been delighted to
have spent my time in
Holland with headquarters
at the Hague - only I had
to go alone on a new

line. I have been twice
to Holland and it is to me
a most interesting country.
I had a very pleasant
voyage - very much as
you described yours -
cool, pleasant and
smooth. I have never
crossed on a better boat
than the Arabic and
never on so clean a one.

I found my old rooms
here all ready for me
and so feel quite at
home. Mr Kidder and I
dined together on the
trip up from Liverpool
and I met him the other

day on the street. There
is a chance that he will
go back on the Arabic, as
he sails this coming week
but was not sure on
which steamer he could
get a passage - he is to
try for the Arabic.

The weather has been
very pleasant and
unusual for London and
for a wonder I have not
needed my umbrella.

The city is quite de-
serted today (Sunday) as
tomorrow is Bank Holiday
so every one is away for
a two days' trip - no stores
open Monday. I expect it
will be quite interesting
to walk around Wednesday

WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON, M.D.

225 COMMONWEALTH AVE.

OFFICE HOURS, 1-2.30 P.M.

Dec 16/06

Dear George

Thanks for
the celery which
I greatly enjoyed
last night. "I wish
I had a farm"

Sincerely
W. L. Richardson

WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON, M.D.

225 COMMONWEALTH AVE.

OFFICE HOURS, 1-2.30 P.M.

June 30/07

Dear George,

You cannot
imagine how much I
enjoyed the trip Saturday

I am sorry I did
not see the papers
Mildred had left for
me to see about the
new method

Sincerely
Will. L. R.

P.S. It was raining
very hard in Boston
when we got home
and had been so most
of the evening.

ELISHA MAY,
ST. JOHNSBURY, VT.

January 22, 1909.

Dr. G. G. Kennedy,
Readville, Mass.

My dear Sir:-

The old Willoughby Lake property, which is now mine, is for sale. You know something about it, and once you spoke that you would like to buy it. It contains about 500 acres and has nearly, if not quite, two million feet of lumber upon it. The price is \$8000. If you would like a map of the locus, let me know and I will send you one. Other parties are talking of buying it.

Very truly yours,

W. F. Richardson

1909

39 Maple St.
Stonham, Mar. 2nd

My dear Miss Ingell,

My aunt Mary
wrote me that W. F.
Richardson has sold
his Hotel property and
farm at Willoughby
Lake to the Willoughby
Wood & Lumber Company
for consideration \$7000.

I thought you
would be interested
to know who had

bought it. I do not
believe the Lumber
company will
preserve its beauty
long.

Hoping that
you have recovered
from your illness
I am

Sincerely yours,
Dora Barber.

ELISHA MAY,
ST. JOHNSBURY VT.

February 11, 1909.

G. G. Kennedy, Esq.,

Readville, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

By this mail we send you two plans of the Willoughby Lake property. The estimators say there are 800,000 feet of spruce and nearly a million of hard wood upon the lots. Mr. Richardson wishes to sell and will take \$7000. (seven thousand dollars) now for the property. He has been asking \$8000. We should be very glad if you could find a customer for us, or if you wish a good investment, that you take it yourself.

Very truly yours,

EM/MLS

Elisha May

WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON, M. D.

225 COMMONWEALTH AVE.,

OFFICE HOURS

1-2.30 P.M.

Feb 27/01

Dear George,

I have looked
up the student's
record. At the mid-
term he has the
examination in anatomy
with a C and histology
with a B. He was an
exhibitor for an
institution. There
are only a very few
young men here who
cannot be distinguished as
he gives the impression
of "trying to make him-
self rather prominent."
He has done a good work
in course of his educa-
tional journey. W. L. R.

WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON, M. D.

225 COMMONWEALTH AVE.,

OFFICE HOURS

1-2,30 P.M.

Dear George, June 22/09
Thanks for
your note. The report
is all right.

I have just
had a note by mail
this morning from
Malcolm Donald saying
that I was nominated
for Overseer - and that
there would be 14 on
the ballot and not 12 -
owing to Noble's death.
Seven are to be elected

Yours
W. L. Richardson

MORLEY'S HOTEL,
TRAFALGAR SQUARE,
LONDON.W.C.

Sunday, Aug 15/09
Dear George

The drawing
of the knife came
last night and
tomorrow I will
start on the hunt.
I found in the directory
the address of the
place - so I guess
there will be no
trouble about finding
them.

When I was at

Manchester This
summer I saw, driving
with Miss Fannie

Barker one day in
new garden Mrs Scott
Fitz was laying out
near her house. It was
really an old field.
She had cut down
a lot of trees but had
left one in the middle
which was fine. I told
Miss Fannie how good
you were of old trees
and asked her if she
got a chance to take
a Kodak of it. She
sent me one and it
arrived last night so
I enclose it for you. Richard





225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

11. 3/89
Dear George
I am better
arrived and I have
a minute before I
leave for a couple of
weeks at the North Shore
to say that you must
know it was only a
pleasure to be able to
do something for you.

The pleasure will be
however a little lessened
if you do not accept
them as I brought them
and intended as a gift
for the sake of old times -
Never

Will L.R.



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66, Wigmore Street,
London, W. 1. 14th Aug. 1909

WALTER J. BENHAM,
STANLEY J. BENHAM,
Managing Directors.

Dr W. L. Richardson
Marley Hotel.

Sir With reference to your esteemed order for Pruning Scissors, we are in receipt of a telegram from the Manufacturers informing us that there is not time to make them and to have our name stamped thereon, but that they can send them with their name, as they have them in stock. We have therefore instructed them to send the Pruners on; Our bill to you, will show that you have procured them from us.

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Dr W. L. Richardson

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In G. G. R.

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C. Bronsden's
Blue Hill Express.

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

June 9/10
Dear Mrs. Kennedy,
Many thanks
for the beautiful strawberries.
I am sorry that I
have to give up going
with the Club Friday
on its outing - but you
cannot realize how
much I miss our
June meeting at your
home when we
pick our strawberries
and cherries and have
a real home time.

Sincerely
W. Richardson

Sept 11/11

Dear George

On my return
to Boston this morning
I found your very
kind birthday remembrance.

As you know how I
love books of reference
you will realize how
much I shall use it

Sincerely
Will. L. R.

WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON, M. D.

225 COMMONWEALTH AVE.,

OFFICE HOURS

1-2.30 P.M.

June 13/₁₃

Dear George

The death of George has been referred by me to the Class Committee as we knew him best.

Henry has written the enclosed. Will you make any correction or suggestions and send it back to me.

I suppose you saw in tonight's paper the death of Birney.

Sincerely
W. L. Richardson

Aug 27/3

Dear George,

I arrived
home this morning
about eight o'clock
after a very pleasant
voyage. I found a
letter from Mrs Sprague
asking me to see Henry
so I went out this
afternoon. He is "brain
tired" and I told him
he must give his
brain a rest. He is
demoralized mentally
and thinks he must

resign his position on
the Water Board which
is absurd and I told
him so. If he will go
slow and realize that
it is not necessary to
look after everything
he will be all right.
He is coming in town
Monday and Mrs Sprague
is going to the Mountains
and Henry is going to
stay in Fairfield St. I am
going to let me work
one hour a day.

You need not let
him know I have written
you - but cheer him up
as he says you have done
several times.

Send me a brief
report of the August
driver so I can keep
a record of it.

Sincerely,
Wm Brewster

Sept 9/3

Dear George

I came to town yesterday and hoped to see Perry but he did not come home as I understood he expected to do.

I saw him last week and was sorry to see that he seemed more demoralized mentally than the week before when I saw him. Dr. Piene and I thought best to have Dr. Lane of the Adams Marine see him. I have

not heard the result.

Send me a little
report of the August
Club dinner so I can
make the reports
complete.

Sincerely,
W. Richardson

WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON, M. D.

225 COMMONWEALTH AVE.,

OFFICE HOURS

1-2.30 P.M.

Oct 28/13
Dear George

I will give
one hundred a year
if that is all marsh
wanks and will send
you a check November
first.

Prentiss reports
steady improvement
on Henry's part.

Sincerely
W. L. Richardson
29th advised him to
wait my call for it
before sending any

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

July 18/94

Dear George,

What you wrote is "will not have another remarkable eclipse" - not "notable". I have changed the word "remarkable" to "total".

I enclose the poetry which especially pleased me
Sincerely
W.R.

Glow Worm.

Glow-worm, Glow-worm of the night
Giving forth thy tiny light;
Hide thyself within the grass,
We will seek thee as we pass.

How thy wondrous sphere of gold
Shines throughout the darkness, bold!
Holds thee in its living glow;—
Light that others cannot know.

Hast thou earned the right to be
Something fair, that all may see?
Or did God just make thee so,
His own handiwork to show?

Glow-worm, Glow-worm of the night,
Bless thy little lamp so bright!
He who placed yon distant star,
Lends thee light to shed afar.

7/8/14.

4. 11. 19
Frederick
Aug 25th Ketchum

July 2¹/₁₄

Dear George,

Where I am
staying here there
are several small
trees growing wild
and nobody knows
what they are. Can you
tell me from this
sample? If you can
drop me a line to
Manchester, Mass. Care
of Mr C. E. Cotting
Sincerely,
W. J. Richardson

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

Dec 26/14

Dear George

Henry has
come home. I saw
him today and he
was very glad to
see me. He asked
especially after you.
He does not get up
until about five
o'clock. So if you are
in town any time
between 5:30 and 7.
I know he would be
glad to see you
as ever
Will. L. R.

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

Nov. 10/14

Dear George

I went and
had a chat with
Cutter. He is doing
well and seemed
very glad to see me.
Hirnans operated
Saturday and found
only a duodenal ulcer
which he eliminated
and he thinks he will
do all right.

This proof came
in duplicate don't you
want to see if you
find anything wrong
and sent back any
corrections. Where you

find none - you
need not send
that part back

Yr Will L. R.

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

Nov 19/14

Dear George

Thanks for
the Report of the Brush
Hill Bird Club - that sort
of work does a lot of
good -
Wm. L. R.

January 31/5-

Dear George,

I have
paid the bill (457.58) for
the Class Reports. This
makes the cost practically
3.00 a volume. I have
sent out to the Class and
non-g. subscribers - some of
the widows of the Class and
I shall name some left
over - so I give want any
at that price you can
have any number of in
want up to 25.

Sincerely

W. J. Richardson

P.S. They are all ready for
mailing and the postage by
parcel delivery is 6 cents up to
150 miles.

June 15th
Dear George,

I have written to the class asking them to give the Star Committee their opinion about giving up Triggs and the bunch. I coat me between 35 & 40 dollars. However, hereafter we are the owners of Briggs House where of course our fellows will go for a first class bunch and meeting the other men.

and it does not seem
wise for us to spend
so much money for
what will practically
be absolutely worthless.
What do you think?

Yours
W. L. Chamberlain

P.S. I tried to telephone
you yesterday but
you were away so I
let the notes go out.

Uncle Oliver
Aunt Lois.

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Wednesday
~~Saturday Evening~~ July 21, 1915
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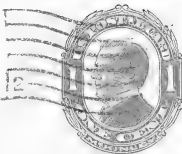
~~HALF-PAST SIX~~ O'CLOCK.

Union Club

Absentees notify W.L.R.



BACK OFF
STATION



Dr. G. G. Kennedy
Readville
Massachusetts

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2. For receipt of the
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225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

Oct 4/16

Dear George

I was very glad to
see an article by you in the
Rhodora which came this morning.
I hope you will soon touch the
Norway pines.

Glad you are all right
again. As ever,
W. Richardson

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

Mar 29/10

Dear George

If you had
heard Frank and
Prent talk in the auto
as we rode home you
would have realized
what an enjoyable
evening we had spent.

Frank's only regret
was he had not his
minutes for planting.
So if you send a little
package to me I will see
that he and Prent get
their share of it.

Will

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

May 9/14
Dear George,

I return
the bill and my
check for half of the
amount. They were
fine photographs and
I think you did a
good thing when you
would take the job and
I am sure it at least
made Harry very
happy and that alone
was worth the trouble.
Thank you for surprise
of all you did.
So take the world easy.
Hope you will be on hand
at the Club dinner
Sincerely
W. Richardson

Dear George

I was so sorry
to hear you had
been sick but
am glad you are
getting better.

The business
is necessary of
this week but please
do not think of
coming in to us.
You must get
stronger and more

and coming to the
dinner is not the
way to do it. We
shall miss you
greatly, but
you will take
my advice and
stay at home.

Yours truly
Wm. Lloyd Garrison

225 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE,

BOSTON.

Oct 31/7.

Dear George,

I sent some flowers
to Prent's funeral and received
a pleasant letter from Mrs Davies
thanking the Club for them.

Thus ends the Club after 48 years.
I have on hand \$74.00 and I
enclose a check for \$24.67 as a
final dividend.

I hope you are taking good care
of yourself as ever,
Wm Richardson

THE EVENING TELEGRAM

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FOR 1907

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J. ROSS ROBERTSON,
PROPRIETOR

TORONTO,..... Oct. 7th, 1908.

George Kennedy, Esq.,
284 Warren Ave.,
Roxbury,
Mass.

Dear Mr. Kennedy:-

I am preparing a genealogical tree of the Sinclair family. I have it complete with the exception of some data I would like from you.

Will you be good enough to give me the following information :- The date of your marriage, your wife's maiden name and her birth date, the birth dates and names of your children - the marriage of any of your children and the birth and names of issue ?

The history of the Robertsons and Sinclairs is in book form, and when printed I shall be glad to send you a copy. I am only printing a few for private circulation amongst connections of the family.

Yours faithfully,

Enc. (1).

J. Ross Robertson

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J. ROSS ROBERTSON,
PROPRIETOR

TORONTO. 19th Oct. 1908.

Dr. G.G. Kennedy,
Readville,
Mass.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:-

I am very glad to have your letter stating you would do what you can to give me the information I desire. I happened to have another slip from the proof I cut up to send you and now enclose it.

If you have a short biography of your father in addition to the information you are going to send me, I will be glad to insert it. You understand the book is only for private circulation. I have worked at it a good many years and now have it in shape that I must put it in print as soon as possible.

I shall be awfully obliged if you will give me the information I desire as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Enc. (1)

J. Ross Robertson

"I think it may afford some small satisfaction to you and the other members of his family, to learn from me how highly he was valued, and how deeply he was mourned and missed, not only by me, but by all who were in official relation with him. He had done excellently well during the short time he held the Magistracy at Kandy, and I had just appointed him to act in a post of great labor and responsibility, of which he was about in a few days to assume the duties. He was one of the young men in the service whom I most trusted and liked, and of whose future usefulness I felt most certain."

XXIX. Alexander (2), of Dunacroy, 4 miles from Inverness, on the property of Baillie of Dochfour, Inverness, second son of John and Flora Ferguson, married Barbara Fraser, and had issue:—

1—William, minister, of Plocton.

2—Helen, who married John Shaw, of Scougoril, near Inverness, on the Newton property.

3—Margaret, who married John McDonald, Manager of McIntosh, of Moy Hall; had 3 sons and 3 daughters, one of whom married Dr. Daly, of Stone House, near Oxford, England.

Helen (2) Shaw had one son living at Smackbine, near Inverness, and had daughters, May, who married Allan McRae, and had two sons and a daughter. Another daughter married Mr. Cowan, a veterinary surgeon, near Oxford, in England, and they had children. Another daughter, Helen, was unmarried, and living at Scougorie, and a sister, Emma Shaw, married a Mr. McDonald, a contractor in Inverness.

4—Ann, married Huntley Fraser, farmer, on the estate of Kinmylies, belonging to E. baillie, of Dochfour, and adjoining the Baillery property on the west side of the River Ness, and adjacent to the northern Infirmary. They had 2 sons and 1 daughter.

XX. Ann (3), eldest daughter of John Sinclair and Flora Ferguson, married Mr. Kennedy, of Inverness, and had issue:—

1—Donald, of Boston, Mass., United States.

2—Bell.

XXI. Donald (1), married a Colgate, and had issue:—

1—Bell, who married Mr. Dorr, a member of the bar in Boston.

2—George, married Harriet Harris, and had issue.

3—Cordella, who married (1) Mr. Aitken, of Montreal; (2) and Mr. Sada, Italian engineer; both without issue. Mrs. Sada died some years ago.

4—Helen, unmarried.

Referring to Cora Kennedy, who married Mr. Aitken and Mr. Sada, an Inverness paper contained the following account of the marriage:—

FASHIONABLE MARRIAGE AT SAN REMO.

On Saturday, the 22nd ult., there was celebrated in San Remo, Italy, a marriage that in many respects presents features of interest. The bride was Cora Kennedy Aitken, a lady of Scotch extraction, but a naturalized American, and the bridegroom, Luigia Sada, an Italian. Both bride and bridegroom have long been before the public of Italy. The former has been associated with many philanthropic agencies. The poor of San Remo she constantly befriended, and it was touching on the marriage day to see crowds of them waiting to testify their gratitude and affection. She instituted night schools for the workmen, who also were represented this day by their instrumental band discoursing nuptial music. But her name is most widely known in connection with societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals, which societies she has been the means of establishing and maintaining throughout Italy; and her services in this direction have been such as to call for recognition at the hands of the Vatican Government, who rewarded her with a gold medal. Luigia Sada's name is associated with the vast railway systems of Chili and Peru. He was twenty-eight years in these countries constructing lines to bring their great mineral wealth into the commercial world. Having realized a handsome fortune, he has retired to an estate at Tortona, near Milan. His name is associated also with various philanthropic agencies.

Two marriage ceremonies were performed—first a civil ceremony at the Town Hall, and, secondly, a religious ceremony in the Hotel de Londres. The latter was according to the forms of the Scotch Presbyterian Church, and was performed by the Rev. Alexander Robertson, minister of the United Presbyterian Church, who has been stationed here during the winter. This is the first Protestant marriage ceremony that has ever been performed in San Remo. It accordingly excited a great amount of interest. After Mrs. Sada died some years ago.

XXII. Bell (1), married Mr. Dorr, and had issue:—

1—Tilston.

XXIII. George, married Harriet Harris, and had issue:—

1—Edith.

2—Donald.

3—Harris.

The burial ground of the Sinclair family from about 1800, when Robert Sinclair, of Kinray, my great grandfather, died, was in Petty churchyard.

ter the ceremony about forty sat down to breakfast. There were representatives of various nationalities—English, Scotch, American, Italian, Russian, Spanish—and speeches were made in several languages. The Rev. Alex. Robertson proposed the first sentiment to the bride and bridegroom. He spoke of the pleasure the company had in numbering amongst their friends Mrs. Sada. That she had led during the past four years in San Remo no idle, self-centred life, but a busy, disinterested, philanthropic one. He recounted the chief agencies with which her name was associated, and to which she had devoted time, strength and money. Mr. Sada, Mr. Robertson said, had kindred tastes, and was engaged in advancing the same objects. He concluded by expressing the wish and hope of the company that both would be long spared to each other in the enjoyment of good health and great happiness, and spared to lead in San Remo and Tortona in union, what each had led singly, a useful, benevolent and philanthropic life. The bridegroom, in very fitting terms, replied in Italian, and concluded by proposing the health of Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, the bride's father and mother. Mr. Kennedy, he said, was known in America, in Scotland (his native place being Glenmoriston, Invernesshire), and in Italy as a liberal supporter of every good cause. It was from him and her sainted mother that his wife had inherited her benevolent disposition, and it was their example she was following. The Russian Consul, Monsieur Rubino, and others also spoke. Mr. Kennedy suitably thanked the company for the kindly way in which they had received his name, and the generous sentiments expressed regarding him and family. Signor Castillo having welcomed the bride to Italy in an Italian speech, Mr. George Macdonald, the novelist, replied for the bride. The rooms were profusely and tastefully decorated with flowers—their wealth and beauty such as is rarely seen out of Italy.

and liked, and of whose future I am not certain.

XIX. Alexander (2), of Dunacroy, 4 miles from Inverness, on the property of Baillie of Dochfour, Inverness, second son of John and Flora Ferguson, married Barbara Fraser, and had issue:—

- 1—William, minister, of Plocton.
- 2—Helen, who married John Shaw, of Scougoril, near Inverness, on the Newton property.
- 3—Margaret, who married John McDonald, Manager of McIntosh, of Moy Hall; had 3 sons and 3 daughters, one of whom married Dr. Daly, of Stone House, near Oxford, England.

Helen (2) Shaw had one son living at Smackbine, near Inverness, and had daughters, May, who married Allan McRae, and had two sons and a daughter. Another daughter married Mr. Cowan, a veterinary surgeon, near Oxford, in England, and they had children. Another daughter, Helen, was unmarried, and living at Scougorie, and a sister, Emma Shaw, married a Mr. McDonald, a contractor in Inverness.

- 4—Ann, married Huntley Fraser, farmer, on the estate of Kinmylies, belonging to E. baillie, of Dochfour, and adjoining the Ballfery property on the west side of the River Ness, and adjacent to the northern Infirmary. They had 2 sons and 1 daughter.

XX. Ann (3), eldest daughter of John Sinclair and Flora Ferguson, married Mr. Kennedy, of Inverness, and had issue:—

- 1—Donald, of Boston, Mass., United States.
- 2—Bell.

XXI. Donald (1), married a Colgate, and had issue:—

- 1—Bell, who married Mr. Dorr, a member of the bar in Boston.
- 2—George, married Harriet Harris, and had issue.
- 3—Cordelia, who married (1) Mr. Aitken, of Montreal; (2) and Mr. Sada, Italian engineer; both without issue. Mrs. Sada died some years ago.
- 4—Helen, unmarried.

XXII. Bell (1), married Mr. Dorr, and had issue:—

- 1—Elleston.

XXIII. George, married Harriet Harris, and had issue:—

- 1—Edith.
- 2—Donald.
- 3—Harris.

The burial ground of the Sinclair family from about 1800, when Robert Sinclair, of Kinray, my great grandfather, died, was in Petty churchyard,

Donald Kennedy son of John and Ann (Sinclair) Kennedy
born at Glen Moriston Invernessshire April 2^o 1812
died at Washington U.S.A. March 15. 1889
married at Boston U.S.A. Dec 21. 1835

Ann ~~Goeding~~ Colgate born at Rye England 23 June 1816.
died at Pegli Italy 7 Nov. 1887
and had issue

1. Celia Harriet b. 18 Feb 1837 d. 25 Aug 1837 Tilston b. Apr 23. 1879
" m. July 15. 1891 to Katie Lena Pearsall
2. Ann Isabella b. 23 Jan 1840 m. Jonathan Dorr Sept 17. 1867.
3. George Goeding b. 16 Oct 1841 m. Harriet W Harris 28 Feb 1865 m. 5 Dec 1865 John d. 29 Sept 1868
4. Cordelia Martine b. 4 Sept 1843 m. Apr 22. 1882 Luigi Sada of Milan Italy
who died Apr 6. 1889.
5. Flora Sinclair b. 19 Jan 1846 d. 29 May 1849. (she (Madame Sada d. 25 Dec 1889)
at Pegli Italy.)
6. Louisa Colgate b. 7 July 1850

3. George Goeding Kennedy AB 1864. Am. m. 2 1867 at Harvard University:
married 28 Feb 1865 Harriet (White) Harris of Boston
and has issue
- | | |
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| <p>Donald b. Dec 5.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Edith Goeding b. Feb 6. 1866. married Henry L Briggs2. Donald born Dec 5. 1867 d. Sept 3. 18683. Harris b. Mch 31. 1871. m.4. Sinclair b. Mch 12. 1875 AB 1897 LLB 1906.5. Mildred b. Aug 31. 1877 | <p>PA B. Nov 20. 1896 Oct 18. 1893
EKB Mch 1. 1897.</p> |
|--|---|

- 3.3. Harris Kennedy married Feb 16. 1904 ~~Frances~~ Frances Blackler Keene
as m. to Harvard has issue
- | | |
|--|---|
| <p>1904 1908
1894 1898</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Gordon 15 May 19062. Frances Blackler 8 June 1908 |
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- 3.4 Mrs Atken published two volumes of Scotch poetry.
Legends and Memories of Scotland.
London Hodder & Staughton 1874
and Sonnets, Songs and Stories
London Hodder & Staughton 1875.

THE EVENING TELEGRAM

TORONTO.

Feby. 17th, 1911.

Dr. George Kennedy,
Readville,
Mass.

Dear Dr. Kennedy,-

I enclose herewith a proof of the Sinclair chapter out of my Robertson History. Would you kindly go over it, make any correction you find necessary, and return same to me and greatly oblige.

Yours sincerely,

Enc. 1.

L.

J. Ross Robertson

THE EVENING TELEGRAM
TORONTO.

February 24th, 1911.

George G. Kennedy, Esq.
Readville,
Mass.

Dear Mr. Kennedy,-

Some days ago I received on my return to Toronto, a copy of an "In Memoriam" booklet. There was nothing to indicate where it came from and I never dreamed that it referred to one of your family. However, I phoned my Secretary who is working at my house, to look up the Kennedy genealogy in my book proofs and surely enough I found that the booklet was a memorial of your dearwife.

Since then I have your letter of the 20th. Strange that the day I received your letter, I had a cable stating that my youngest brother, Charles, Manager of the Canadian Associated Press, had died in London.

Well, we all in due course will pass away. Words either spoken or written are simply lost in ones effort to express sympathy, for there is no healing for a grief such as yours in the sympathy that goes out from my heart to your home in your hour of crushing sorrow.

Its saddening to watch our dear ones leave us. I'm the only one left of four brothers and one sister and I'm the eldest at that.

I have read the booklet. Mr. Reid's remarks were most appropriate - so kindly put - so sympathetic.

I am much obliged for your letter re the proof. I am going to follow your advise as to the figures. You certainly shall have a copy of the book.

I am leaving on Sunday for Miami, Florida for a month. I had intended to go weeks ago but such pressure of work has held me here. I do hope that some day when I am in Boston, I may have the pleasure of going out to Readville for half an hour to see you.

Yours sincerely,

JRR/L.

John Reid

THE EVENING TELEGRAM
TORONTO.

November 26th, 1915.

Geo. G. Kennedy Esq.,
Readville, Mass.

My dear Mr. Kennedy,

I am very glad to have yours of the 17th and pleased that you appreciated the photos of Toronto and its public and business buildings.

You ask me when my "Robertson" book is coming out, well, I have it all up in type, or pretty nearly, and I think within the next two or three months I shall have it printed. I am only printing a very few copies, about 100. There are 400 or 500 pages in it. You shall certainly have a copy.

By the way, when my nephew was up for his sister's wedding, that is Miss Isobel, the only daughter of my late brother Alex. Robertson, I told him to call on you so that you might see one of your kinsmen from Canada. He is Dr. L. Bruce Robertson, and is now at The Children's Hospital, Huntingdon Ave., Boston. I am informed that he is quite brilliant. He is a B.A. and an M.D. and has written a very good article entitled "Gas Bacillus Infection". A Report of Six Cases., which has been published in pamphlet form by the Journal of the American Medical Association. I have read it, but as a layman I don't know that I can appreciate the amount of work he had to do to get the stuff together, but the doctors, on the staff of the Hospital for Sick Children, say it is well done.

He will only be in Boston for another two weeks when he leaves the Hospital there to take his place on the staff of the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto.

With kind regards,

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

JRR/W.

L. Bruce Robertson

THE EVENING TELEGRAM
TORONTO.

December 5th, 1914.

George Kennedy Esq.,
Readville, Mass.

My dear Kennedy,

I have your note of the 2nd, and by the following mail your son's book entitled "The Pan-Angles". I am going to take the first opportunity of giving it a careful reading, and as you ask me for an opinion I do not see any reason why I should not give you one.

I don't find very much time for reading. My paper takes a considerable amount of my time, my Hospital work is pretty heavy, and my Historical Collection of Pictures in the Public Library here has filled up every spare minute.

I am going to try and get that genealogical volume out the beginning of the year. You certainly shall have a copy when it appears.

Wishing you the compliments of the season,

Yours truly,

JRR/W.

J Ross Robertson

11 / IV / 1892

Dear Sir:

Mr. Arthur Watson
tells me that thirty-five dol-
lars (\$35.⁰⁰), would be quite
satisfactory for the microscope.
In regard to the books, I
have been able to find most
of them in second-hand cata-
logues and should think the
following prices the most
satisfactory for both sides.

✓ Darlington, <i>Flora Costica</i>	6. ⁷⁵
✓ Wood's <i>Botany</i> 2nd ed	.45
✓ J. Watson's <i>Contributions</i> (nos. 2 & 3 lacking)	6. ⁰⁰
✓ Upham's <i>Flora of Minn.</i>	.90
✓ Peck - <i>Black Spruce</i>	.20
✓ Merck - <i>Alaska Catalogue</i>	.25
✓ Hooker <i>Distric N.A. Fl</i>	.15
✓ Tracy <i>Cat. of Fl of Mo.</i>	.35

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✓ Macoun	Fl of St Lawrence	.20.
✓ Mastere	Conif. of Jap.	.45-
✓ Brendel	Hist of Am Bot	.15-
✓ Lawson	Can. Rannunc.	.65.
✓ Macoun & Burgess	Can. Fil.	.65.
✓ Brewster	Fl. Columb.45-
✓ Ball.	Fl. Peru & And. . . .	30
✓ " "	" W. S. A.	30
		<hr/> <hr/> 18.20

These prices are all about
10% less than those of catalogues.

Will you kindly let me know
whether you find them satis-
factory and whether I shall
forward the books to your
address.

Yours very Truly
Benj. L. Robinson,

J. Geo L. Kennedy
Readville, Mass.

HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,
BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Apr 19th 1892

To Geo G Kennedy
Ds

To Books from Library
of late Dr. Arrens Watson &
18.20

To dissecting microscope
35.00

To Pickering's Chron.

Hist. of Plants 5.00

Express .30

\$58.50

Recd Payt.

B. L. Robinson.

Birchwood,

Jaffrey, C. N.

24 Sept. 1897.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

I believe we have a complete set of Drummond's North American mosses in the Sullivan Herbarium. As I recollect they are in the form of bound exsiccata and are in the first or second lower case at the left end of the Sullivan collection. I think there are also some of Drummond's specimens in the James Herbarium.

I have been taking my vacation in pieces this year and have been back and

forth between Cambridge
and Jaffrey a number of
times. I expect to return to
Cambridge for good Thurs-
day or Friday and shall
hope to see you at the
meeting of the Executive
Club.

With kindest regards,

Very respectfully yours,

B. L. Robinson.

GRAY HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.,

26th May. 1898.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

Your note containing the anonymous gift to the Gray Memorial Fund, of twenty-five dollars, has come safely to hand. Knowing from personal experience how hard it is to ask anyone for financial assistance in any cause, I most sincerely appreciate your help in soliciting for the Herbarium.

The "*Sinonoma Bartholomaei*" has also been received. It is a quaint old list, is it not? I have looked it over with a great deal of interest, and

am right glad to have it
on our shelves. The curious
and antique orthography of
some of the generic names
seems likely to throw
new light upon their deri-
vation.

In the course of our recent
work we have had several
occasions to refer for synonymy
&c., to the book of Raimond
which you gave to the Library
some time ago.

We were all all sorry not to
see you at Dr. Gondale's. I pre-
sume you may have heard
that the question of a New England
botanical journal is being dis-
cussed. There is no doubt that
such a publication would be a
source of much interest and pleas-
ure if it is practicable. There is
now no good place to publish local
notes upon the New England
flora. They seem lost and out
of place in the Gazette, where the

articles are becoming longer and more technical every month.

Many of us hope that it will be possible for the Club to start a little journal which, though modest in size and rather popular in character, may at the same time be accurate and dignified in its statements. Such a journal need not contain gush or poetry, but could still smell more of the fields and woods and less of the laboratory than the Gazette and Bulletin. If at all successful it would not only give much pleasure to local botanists but bring before a much larger number of people the work and needs of the New England botanical establishments.

With grateful appreciation of all your many favors to the Gray Herbarium, I am,

Very respectfully yours

B. L. Robinson.

GRAY HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.,

22 Feb. 1900.

Dear J. Kennedy:

It would give us
pleasure to examine your
list or cards at the Herba-
rium and make such sug-
gestions as the Manual
revision has brought to our
notice. Of course we have
still much to do on the Manual
and there are many cases
where it is not yet possible
to say what name it will
seem best to use after further
study. However, if you desire
it and can spare your list
for a day or so, Mr. Fernald

and I will take pleasure
in examining it and calling
to your attention any points
on which it could be brought
more nearly into line with
the nomenclature at present
followed at the Gray Her-
barium.

Sincerely yours,
B. L. Robinson.

GRAY HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

13 Oct.

1900.

The plant is Satureia rigida, Bartram.

I was sorry not to see more of
you at the Botanical Club. You escape
very early.

Sincerely yours
Gould's Florida plant - B. L. Robinson

POSTAL CARD - ONE CENT
BOSTON
OCT 13
CAMBRIDGE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



THIS SIDE IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

George G. Kennedy,
Readville,
Mass.



GRAY HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.,

22nd October, 1902.

Dear J. Kennedy:

By American Express
(prepaid) I take pleasure
in sending you a set of
the first century of the
"Exsiccatae Gracanae," in the
preparation of which you
have taken such a kind
and helpful interest.

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Robinson.

I take the opportunity to send
in the same package some of
your specimens which I fear
should have been returned long
ago.

Summit House, Mt. Washington,

22nd July, 1903.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

Absence from Cambridge has delayed my reply to your delightful letter, which I was greatly pleased to receive. I have been following the course of your travels from letters kindly shown me by Mr. Deane, and Mr. Williams, and by news of you from Sinclair. Your vivid descriptions, supplemented by the beautiful photographs, give us an excellent idea of your charming surroundings on the coast of Devon. I can readily realize what enthusiasm so novel and interesting flora must stir.

It has been most kind of you to bear in mind the Gray Herbarium and send us the three works, all of which have come safely to hand. Hermann's

fine old catalogue, we had already, but the copy you send differs from ours in several particulars, notably in its colored plates, ours having the plates only in black and white. I am delighted to have the colored copy in our library. It is ^{doubtless} one of a comparatively few choice copies ~~with~~ which were colored by hand. We had no copy of the interesting pamphlet by Holmesworth on Shakespeare's Garden and are pleased to have it, but the special treasure is the Flora of Invernesshire, which appears to be quite rare. We had no copy of it and Miss Day fails to find any mention of it in Pritzels' Thesaurus, so it seems to be quite obscure and a very nice thing to pick up. Thank you heartily for all.

Doubtless Mr. Williams has told you that he and I are off on a trip to the White Mountains and Rangerley region. Judge Churchill holds out some hope that we may have his company in the latter part of trip. I wish that you and Mr. Rand could also be with us to round out the party.

You will doubtless have had quite as recent news of Mr. Fernald as we. It is pleasant to hear that he is safely across and already enjoying his European travels. You will be glad to learn that Mr. Johnston has had a profitable three weeks of collecting in Trinidad and writes that he has reached Venezuela in safety with his two companions, notwithstanding President Castro's closing of the ports. Mr. Johnston wrote last from Carupano and said that their party was to sail for Margarita Island the same afternoon.

Mrs. Robinson and I have been spending a week in Wood's Hole with Dr. and Mrs. G. T. Moore. Dr. Moore is teaching in the Biological School there. We had a delightful time, seeing, among other interesting sights, the scientific dredging and the emptying of the fish traps of the Government Fish Commission. The latter contained thousands of

fish, of many different kinds, some exceedingly curious. It made one long to be a zoologist.

There is a howling storm outside and the cheerful warmth of the old Summit House is very grateful.

With kindest regards to you all, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. B. L. Robinson.

J. G. G. Kennedy.

P. S. - Commencement day happened to be Mr. Booth's ninetieth birthday. He was the oldest graduate out and headed the line. It had been quietly arranged beforehand by some of his friends that the band should play Mr. Booth's beautiful composition "Viva Italia" as the march, while the graduates filed over to Memorial. Mr. Booth was much touched and gratified by this pleasant surprise.

Jaffrey, N. H.,
13th July, 1904.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

Thank you cordially
for forwarding Mr. Fernald's
letter. It is exceedingly in-
teresting and I am delighted
to hear of the success of
his expedition. It is certainly
an extraordinary region, visited
under exceptionally favorable
circumstances by just the man
to make the most of his

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

W. L. L. Robinson.

Dr. G. G. Kennedy.

opportunities.

While at Cambridge I gave very detailed directions about the reprints. When they are again delivered to you kindly let me know whether they are all right.

As you have so kindly requested it, I send herewith the bill for the June Rhodora. I have been over the items carefully and find all the charges correct and reasonable. I am sorry the total figures up so high. This, of course, is largely due to the plates.

The bill for your 100 reprints will be sent later, when the printer has succeeded in filling the order properly.

501 East Clay Street,
Bloomington, Illinois,
28 August, 1904.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

By this time I hope that Mr. Holger has sent you the reprints of your Willoughby Flora. If that is the case, I should be glad if you would drop me a postal card and let me know whether the binding is satisfactory and the number is correct, so that I may know whether to approve Holger's bill.

I have been having a very happy visit with my family

here. My mother has entirely recovered from her illness.

Besides the pleasure of the visit with my family and renewing acquaintance with a host of old friends, I am greatly enjoying the flora of the middle West. It is eleven years since I have been west in mid summer.

I had expected to get back to Cambridge about the 8th of September but I have recently had an invitation to give an address at the International Congress of Scientists at St. Louis on the 23rd in place of Flahault who writes that he cannot come. The invitation is very flattering and I feel it quite an honor. I have just been to St. Louis

for two or three days to borrow from the Shaw-Leech library such literature as I shall need to consult in preparing my address. Prof. Trelease and his wife were most kind and insisted upon my staying with them while in St. Louis.

Mrs. Robinson is visiting her parents in Hennepin, Illinois but will return to Bloomington before long.

I have very pleasant recollections of my evening with you and Mrs. Kennedy.

With kindest regards to you both I am

Very sincerely yours,

B. L. Robinson.

D. L. J. Kennedy.

3 Clement Circle, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 10 October, 1904.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

We are anxious to have in Rhodora at least a brief notice of each deceased member of the New England Botanical Club. Could you not write a sketch of the Rev. George Putnam Huntington for us? I am sure no one could do it better.

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Robinson.

Dr. G. G. Kennedy.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

10 June, 1907.

I do wish I had some way of telling you how deeply I feel your kindness and generosity in giving another thousand dollars to the Gray Herbarium. Your gift has made me very happy, not merely because it takes a considerable load of anxiety off my mind but because it is such a cordial evidence of your belief in our work at the Herbarium. You have no idea how much this means to us. I assure you it is the greatest stimulus to do our best. I am especially pleased that with the five hundred dollars for the library we can again devote particular attention to filling out gaps among our books. In referring to such noble series as the *Revue Horticole* and *Cassini's Dictionnaire* I always think with a great deal of gratitude of your kindness; for it is to you we owe our copies of many of these monumental works.

With kindest regards I am

Sincerely and gratefully yours,

B. L. Robinson.

Dr. George E. Kennedy.

so she was merely told that it was from several friends of the Gray Herbarium and given in consideration of the faithfulness of her services. The poor girl was quite overcome, but accepted the gift with pathetic appreciation and in precisely the proper spirit.

Miss Day tells me that the sum will relieve the family from its immediate and most pressing difficulties. They are thrifty and industrious and if not too seriously handicapped will get through all right.

We are more than busy at the Herbarium, and are straining every nerve to get forward with the Manual. To-day we have returned eighteen galleys of proof to the printer besides preparing a new batch of manuscript for press.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely and very gratefully yours
W. L. Robinson.

3. Clement Circle, Cambridge, Mass.,

21 Nov. 1907.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

I thank you most heartily for your cordial and generous gift of fifty dollars to aid the Anderson family in their difficulties. I wish you could know how much it meant to them. We were able to get but \$ 145 in all, some of the people to whom I applied having not yet answered. As the need seemed to be pressing, it seemed best to give at once what we could. Miss Day was so kind as to undertake the matter, which was rather delicate. I think she managed it as tactfully as possible. We felt that it would be easier for Miss Anderson if no names were mentioned, and

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B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A.

17th March, 1908.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

At the meeting of the Visiting Committee of the Gray Herbarium the matter of the circular was carefully considered and it was unanimously voted that a circular should be issued again this year. The form of the circular was discussed in some detail, and it was finally decided to leave the precise wording to a subcommittee, consisting of Messrs. Williams, Kidder, and Robinson. This subcommittee has held a meeting and endeavored so far as possible to carry out in the circular the suggestions of the larger committee. The circular was then submitted to President Eliot, who suggested several slight verbal changes. The circular was then put into type, and I am now able to send you a proof.

I hope that the form, that is to say the general character and wording of the circular, will meet your approval. I should be greatly obliged if you would examine it and let me know as early as convenient whether you find it satisfactory. It has been thought best that the circular this year should be sent only to those who in past years have shown a willingness to contribute to the support of the Herbarium.

Always greatly appreciating your kind interest in the affairs of the Herbarium, I am

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Robinson.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A.

12th April, 1908.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

It is indeed most kind of you to contribute again so liberally to the support of the Gray Herbarium. I wish I knew any way of showing you how greatly I appreciate it. Your gift of \$ 50 toward the general subscription carries it forward finely. You will be pleased to hear that the response to our circular has already passed \$ 1000 and subscriptions are still coming in almost daily.

Your anonymous gift of \$ 500 for further special purchases goes straight to my heart. It will enable us as for the last two years to take immediate advantage of many exceptional offers in book catalogues. During the preparation of the new edition of the Manual I have been noticing with great interest how often we have been aided by reference to many of the older works which we have only recently acquired and which to a large extent we owe to your generosity. During this same verification of hundreds of references and complicated synonymy we have been giving special attention to the gaps and further needs of the library, so I feel confident we shall be able to make good selections from future catalogues.

Thanking you again most heartily, I am with kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

J. C.
George S. Kennedy.

B. L. Robinson.



B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

26 Oct. 1958.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

I am sorry to say that the accentuation própera is a pure case of error on my part. I am anxious to have all such matters duly noted so that they may be corrected in any subsequent impression which the publishers may make of the Manual. You do not mention the genus under which you found própera and I do not at the moment recollect just where the name occurs. I should be grateful if you would let me know in order that I may make the proper annotation.

I tried to verify each name where the pronunciation was doubtful but in the pressure of many things to do in regard to each batch of proof I must have slipped over the name in question.

Thank you heartily for calling
it to my attention.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

V. B. L. Robinson.

Dr. George G. Kennedy.



B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

27 Oct. 1908.

Dear J. Kennedy,

Thank you cordially for your kindness in looking out the occurrence of *protera* in the Manual. I will see to it that these places are annotated for correction.

I am sorry to say I do not know the rule of Andrews & Stoddard regarding *cera*. I fail to find, in a hurried search, any similar rule or exception in Harkness' grammar or in Allen & Greenough's.

In accenting such words as *brachycera*, I have supposed that the quantity of the *e* would be infallibly determined by the fact that it was from a Greek *e* not from an *η*. I note that other Latin derivatives of *κέρας* such as *cératina*, *cératias*, etc., are marked as having the *e* short in Andrews's Latin lexicon. On the other hand derivatives of *céra*, wax, naturally have the *e* long.

The case of *Lonicera* is of course quite different and has no classical analogy, since the plant was named for the herbalist Adam Lonitzer. Dr. Gray in his later years used to throw the accent back to the antepenult in such names as *Palmeria*, *Heuchera*, etc., although he made the *o* and a long *i* in such names as

Claytoni and Benthami. On observing several inconsistencies in this matter, it seemed to me that it would be best to follow English and Continental usage and treat such doubtful penultimate vowels as long except in such cases as Candy, Pringle, and the like, where the penultimate vowel may perhaps be considered as a part of the ending rather than of the stem.

The name Louicera was accented on the penult in pursuance of this somewhat arbitrary rule, just as Listera, Henchera, Palmieri, etc. have been treated as possessing long penultimate vowels. The matter is one which I have never seen discussed in detail and one is therefore forced to determine rules for his own guidance as he goes along.

I learn that my mother, who is now nearly ninety, is failing rapidly and I am in hourly expectation of a telegram which will call me out to Illinois.

With kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours,

B. L. Robinson.

J. E. G. Kennedy.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A.

3 May, 1909.

Dear J. Kennedy:

Inclosed I send the official acknowledgment of your generous gift to the Gray Herbarium. Once more let me tell you how grateful I am. The thousands for the library will again give us the power to take immediate advantage of catalogue offers of works needed to supplement our present representation of books in several important lines. Your gifts have done us splendid service in this way. By their aid we have been able greatly to strengthen our representation of European floras. I have previously been entirely satisfied with our pre-Linnean representation but as we get opportunities we pick up good things from time to time. We are of course very fortunate in having most of the larger and more expensive works; so, much can be done in picking up the others and filling lacunae at moderate expense by watching the foreign catalogues. The West Indian and South American publications form our hardest problem at present.

The thousand dollars which you give for building purposes is also a great joy to me. I think it

will be stimulating to others to know that
such a gift has been made.

Very soon President Lowell will be
in office and I hope to have an early
opportunity to get the building needs of the
Herbarium before him and reach a definite
plan of action on the subject.

Sincerely and very gratefully yours,
B. L. Robinson.

J.
Dr. E. G. Kennedy.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A.

19 Nov. 1909.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

This afternoon we have had at the Gray Herbarium some very good news and I feel sure you will rejoice with us in it. Mr. Kidder came out to see the new wing and after looking it over told me that he should like to pay for that part of our proposed building and have it called the Kidder Wing. He asked how we were situated in regard to the matter and I explained that we had received one thousand dollars from an anonymous donor on the understanding that it was to be applied on this much needed addition. He seemed a trifle disappointed at this and said he had hoped to pay the whole cost of the wing, exclusive of the furnishings. The structure will cost about eleven thousand dollars, and except for your very kind gift of one thousand I had anticipated that we should have to cover the cost from such yearly savings as we could effect from our income. You can readily imagine how greatly Mr. Kidder's offer relieves the situation. Although I felt that some extension of our quarters had become absolutely necessary I confess I was a good deal chagrined at the idea of having the Herbarium run into debt even for a few years. This was especially awkward just at a time when we must expect some unusual expenses in connection with the furnishing of the new wing, the removal of the Gray dwelling, the grading of its site, refinishing our wall on that side, etc. Thanks to Mr. Kidder's generosity we can be relieved of the expense of the new wing and devote our savings to these other matters.

In consideration of Mr. Kidder's wish to defray the entire expense of building the new wing, I am anxious to know if you would mind letting the one thousand dollars of your gift last spring, which we had intended to use on the building, be applied on steel cases for its furnishing. I shall be greatly obliged if you will let me know about this within a few days as Mr. Kidder has desired me to ascertain whether the anonymous donor of the thousand dollar subscription would mind having ^{it} applied to some other need of the Herbarium than the construction of the new wing.

You will remember that you gave another thousand dollars last spring to be used in the purchase of books for our library. I want to tell you that this has meant a great deal to us in the last few days. Weigel, the Leipzig book-dealer, has just issued a catalogue of the library of the late Franz Buchenau. This catalogue contains a very large number of the smaller and rarer European floras and other papers on systematic botany, the carefully selected accumulation of years of scholarly botanical activity and including many which rarely come on the market. Such private libraries are becoming few and this is an exceptional opportunity to fill up little lacunae (as well as a few larger ones) in the library of the Gray Herbarium. Thanks to your liberality I have been able to order freely from this catalogue, in fact several hundred titles.

With kindest regards and the feeling that you will rejoice with us, I am

Very sincerely yours,

T. B. L. Robinson.

P.S. Until the business arrangements in connection with Mr. Kidder's gift are entirely settled I suppose it will be best for us not to mention it.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

9th December, 1909.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

The date of issue stated on the last page of *Rhodora* does not relate to the current number, but as will be seen from the pages included, always to the last preceding issue. Thus the date 3 November, 1909 on page 220 is the time of issue of the October number, that is of no. 180 of the journal and including pages 181-200.

It would be almost impossible to date in advance each issue, for one cannot predict with any certainty whatever the time it will take to get an issue through press and through the bindery. In place of dates of issue on current numbers we give the same information but always for the preceding numbers. This it is possible to do readily and accurately.

I trust this will clear the question of which you wrote.

I am glad to have an opportunity to tell you that the New England Botanical Club has decided to hold a special meeting December 31st, to which the visiting botanists of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Botanical Society of America, are to be invited. The meeting is to have the form of a smoker. The first half hour (8 to 8:30) is to be an informal reception of our guests. Then, Mr. Deane is to call the meeting to order and say a few words of welcome. It is hoped to have a half dozen short speeches (of five or ten minutes each) by different members. Dr.

listening to what
he says on,
with kind regards.
I am sincerely, etc.

Readville, Mass.

12 Dec 04

Dear Dr. Robinson
Please accept
my thanks for your
kind answer to my
really stupid
question as to the
publication of the
last number of
Rhododendron.

I am very glad
to hear that the
New England Botanical
Club are to give
hold a special
meeting on Dec 31
to welcome the
visiting botanists
of the Am. Association.

It is extremely kind
of the Committee of
arrangements to
ask me to make
a few remarks on
that occasion.
But they will know
how impossible it
~~is~~ ^{is} for me
to do so; namely, I
should not have
missed so many
evenings of pleasant
intercourse with
the many friends
I have in the Club
~~social~~ ^{social} I have
been able to endure
the eye strain & head

trouble that is my
penchant for weeks
to attend the meetings
and this must be
my excuse now
for my inevitable
absence on that
occasion.

But I hope to
attend the earliest
~~meeting~~ ^{sessions} the
association and
then meet some
of the Rotarians.
But they do not
expect me to take
any part in the
evening or if
I come, to be more
than a ~~passive~~ ^{silent}

Farlow encourages me to think he will be one of these speakers. President Brainerd has consented to say a few words; presumably on New England as a field for further botanical exploration. Mr. F. S. Collins will, I believe, speak a few moments in light vein on the history of the New England Botanical Club.

The committee on arrangements hopes very much that you will be willing to speak a few moments. We would suggest as an appropriate theme some account of the earlier New England botanists, such as Cutler, Bigelow, Oakes, Boott, and Tuckerman. From experience I feel sure that no feature of such a gathering would be more welcome to the visitors from a distance. For instance if when the American Association met at New Orleans some local botanist had given us a little account of Josiah Hale, Ridley, or other early botanists and collectors in Louisiana, it would have been most interesting. We of other regions know of them only as names. There is every reason to suppose that our guests at the approaching meeting, many of whom will be of the younger generation, would ~~XXX~~ be similarly interested in hearing something of early botanical work in our region.

It is probable that Prof. Fernald and perhaps Prof. Ganong may also be asked to speak.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Robinson.

Dr. George G. Kennedy.

3 Clement Circle

Cambridge, 19 April, 1911.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

You have doubtless received a notice of the fact that the New England Botanical Club is to meet at my house next Friday evening, the 21st. The meeting is an informal one for discussion of the club work. I have no notion what points are likely to come up but there will doubtless be matters of interest.

I am writing to say that it would give Mrs Robinson

and our great pleasure if
you would dine with us
and spend the night. I know
you find it rather difficult
to attend the club meetings
and other evening affairs
but we are hoping that by
deferring the return trip
until the next day you can
avoid much of the fatigue.

Owing to the necessity of
being quite ready for the
meeting which follows, we
shall have to make our
dinner hour rather early.
Let us say six o'clock.

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Robinson
Dr. G. F. Kennedy.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A.

28rd July, 1911.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

In my interest in getting our plans for building perfected and getting a host of small questions about details settled, I find I have been delayed longer than I could have wished in transmitting to you a vote passed by the Visiting Committee at its meeting toward the end of June. The vote was as follows:

"Learning that a patron, who wishes to be anonymous, has subscribed the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars to rebuild; considerably extend, and fully equip the section of the building of the Gray Herbarium devoted to its library we, the members of the Committee appointed to visit the Gray Herbarium, request our Chairmen to report the gift, with appropriate explanation of its high importance, to the Board of Overseers of Harvard College. We further desire the Curator of the Herbarium to convey to the donor an expression of our sincere gratitude for aid so generous and so well directed in enabling the Gray Herbarium to secure the highest degree of safety for its valuable library."

I assure you there was great enthusiasm over the recent gifts. There was also a hope expressed that the donor of the anonymous gift might be willing to let his name be known and associated with the library. Indeed, the members of the Committee desired me to communicate this hope to the donor.

Please let this matter be entirely as you wish. I will say personally that I should be much gratified if you should decide to let your name be known, for I feel that it would give our building an added interest historically and a finer sentiment if its different parts can be associated with those who have for many years so loyally supported our efforts and so generously contributed to the upbuilding of the Gray Herbarium. I think furthermore that Mr. White, the only member of our Committee who knows who subscribed the amount for the library wing, and Mr. Kidder would both feel greater pleasure in their relation to our enterprise if your name as well as theirs was connected with the building.

Our plans and specifications have at length been completed and the contractors' bids were received last Monday. On Wednesday the contract was assigned. It does not include some parts of the work, such as the painting, steam heating, grading, etc, which as experience shows can be more economically handled by the University workmen. So it is not yet possible to know the exact cost. I am delighted to say however that indications are very favorable and I think we shall be able to get just what we want and of the best materials for somewhat less than anticipated.

I am now plowing through the details of the contract for the metal furnishings, a complicated matter. I think the bids for this will be in within a fortnight.

Our building contractor is showing admirable promptness and energy. The second day after the contract had been signed he had a gang of a dozen men busy tearing down the old library and laboratory. They appear to be a nice orderly lot of workmen too.

I hope you will be interested in Mr. Fernald's article in Rhodora. We are proud of it as a contribution from the Gray Herbarium.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. L. Robinson.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

14th October, 1911.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

I think you may be interested to hear how the building operations are getting on at the Gray Herbarium. My report, put in a nutshell so to speak, is that everything is going very well and satisfactorily, but much more slowly than we had hoped. We have a good elderly Scotch contractor, who appears to be fair, honest, and capable, but mortal slow. There have, however, been several sources of delay which were obviously not his fault. When excavation was made it was found that the foundation walls between the central portion of the Herbarium and the new wings were so defective that they had to be removed section by section and securely rebuilt, a process which involved the skilful shoring of the main building. However, this was accomplished safely and the foundations of both wings are now completed. In the second place the weather has been unfavorable. One of the foremen told me that they had had no less than fifty one rainy days since the middle of July, so least rainy enough to interfere with the work. Finally there has been difficulty in getting workmen. It seems that some portions of the Cambridge subway contract are belated and it is said that all available workmen are being pressed into service there.

The walls of the new library and laboratories are now up beyond the surface of the ground, and the forms are being built for casting the first

floor. I understand this casting is to begin this week.

I need scarcely tell you how keenly we are all interested in each day's progress, and how wonderfully fortunate we feel as we see the plans which have been worked over for months taking form in such substantial materials.

I do hope you will come over when you can. Although there is only a foundation as yet, I assure you it is the most exciting thing imaginable.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Z. C. Kennedy", is written over a faint, circular embossed seal. The signature is slanted and written in a cursive style.

Dr. George G. Kennedy.

My doctor orders me
south for a couple of
weeks, and Mrs. Robinson
and I are thinking of
going down to ^{the} Bermudas
next week. I hope to be
back at work about the
middle of January.

Mrs. Robinson joins me in
sending you the heartiest holiday
greetings.

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Robinson.

L. G. E. Kennedy.

3 Clement Circle

Cambridge, Mass.,

25 Dec. 1911

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

This is just to send you
very hearty greetings on the occa-
sion of this bright sunny Christ-
mas day. To me the day is
doubly enjoyable as I am al-
lowed to get out of doors a
few moments after a three
weeks' illness (pleurisy).

Notwithstanding the fact that I
have been shut in of late I have
been following with great interest
every step in the building opera-
tions at the Herbarium.

Our Scotch contractor has proved fair-minded and tolerably efficient but he has been tryingly slow, and we have been very anxious lest he should get caught by hard frosts, deep snow, and other winter conditions before he was able to get the new structures enclosed.

I am very happy to say that within the past week the masonry has been practically completed and the reinforced concrete roof both of the library and of the laboratories has been safely cast, so that now it will be possible to proceed with the interior finishings.

This is a real joy and relief

for if winter conditions had set in before the roof could be cast, it might have been necessary to await the open weather of spring before much further progress could have been made.

The new portions of the building are still surrounded by staging and the interior is much blocked by the wooden supports and forms used in the castings of the concrete floors etc. It will still be some weeks before the mason's litter is cleared away and before it will be possible to go through the building with comfort and pleasure. I am anticipating keenly the time when we can look it over together.

3 Clement Circle

Cambridge, Mass.; 22 Mar. 1912.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

Thank you heartily for "The End of
an Era", which has come safely to hand. I have
not been able to wait till ^{we} get off on our travels
before dipping into it. Even from the first few
pages I can see that it is a notable human docu-
ment. I am sure I shall enjoy it very much.

I cannot tell you how glad my wife and I were
to have a chance to see you the other day, and
how greatly we appreciated your kindness in com-
ing.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. Robinson



SHERWOOD INN,
OLD POINT COMFORT,
VIRGINIA

14 May, 1912.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

We are already on our way northward after some five weeks of very pleasant, restful, and, I trust, recuperative stay in South Carolina.

We really had a delightful time there notwithstanding some natural feelings of homesickness. Dr. Bowditch evidently knew what he was about in recommending Sumnerville, South Carolina. It is not only a most agreeable place to be lazy but its soft climate quickly robs one of any wish for activity. The house where we went was, like the famous "Stella d'Oro" in the Tyrol, kept by a large family of elderly sisters

who had in high degree the Southern charm. They are descendants of a French marquise, a lady-in-waiting at the court of Marie Antoinette, a refugee at the time of the French Revolution. They had seen hard times during the civil war and had an inexhaustible fund of anecdotes, always interesting, often pathetic or amusing.

The glory of Sumnerville is its superb Georgia pines, incredibly tall and straight and with leaves twelve to eighteen inches long. Many of these trees were covered with Wisteria to their very tops. The ground was very flat and sandy and I was a trifle disappointed in the scanty and rather backward spring vegetation, still found so much that was fascinating that it was no hardship whatever to spend practically all the time out of doors.

This of course was the flora which Thomas Walter made classic, the region the first part of North America to be covered by a local flora. I found many of his species and was delighted to get



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first-hand acquaintance with them.

One day we drove some thirty miles over southern roads - alternating deep sand and water sometimes nearly up to the hubs, with occasional stretches of ancient corduroy - to visit two fine old estates, one of them the famous "Magnolia Gardens on the Ashley" where we saw a great display of azaleas.

After three weeks at Summerville we moved down to Charleston, which is truly the Boston of the South. Mrs. Farlow had been so kind as to write to some members of the Ravenel family about our visit to their city and they were most kind and cordial in their attentions. As they have wide family connections among the older families of Charleston we quickly found ourselves with many kind friends who were indefatigable in calling, in-

victims us to their charming homes,
putting us up for their clubs,
taking us on Sundays to their
historic churches, etc. For many
reasons we infer that the present
social life in Charleston must
considerably resemble that of Boston
a half century ago, before the large
foreign immigration — The Boston
of which we have heard so much
from elderly people like Mr. Francis
Booth, Mrs. Anne Gray, and others.

Charleston, as you know, has been
through many and great calamities —
two fires, siege, bombardment, a
terrific earthquake, and six or eight
tornadoes with tidal waves — in fact
all the plagues of Egypt. Of course,
we heard many pathetic accounts
of these trials, but the people are cheerful
and uncomplaining. As to its exterior
the city makes the most inconsistent
impressions. At one time it seems
a rather shabby one-horse town, then
one realizes the wonderful charm of its
dignified old houses of stately archi-
tecture, its "galleries" (two and three-
storied piazzas), its high walled gardens,



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beautiful gateways, and lovely chimneys. We know of no other American city which has such individuality and character.

Early in our stay at Charleston I came down with a sharp attack of acute indigestion, which was quite alarming at the time as I had never experienced anything of the sort and did not know whether I was coming down with typhoid, dysentery, or appendicitis. However, I was fortunate in getting a good Southern doctor, who had no difficulty in diagnosing the matter and who with fine old allopathic methods gave me more medicine than I have taken since childhood — medicines of a fine robust character too. But he evidently knew what he was about for he brought my temperature down five degrees in twenty four hours and kept it down. The attack was brief and I am sure only casual as I recovered from it promptly and completely.

My pleurisy has subsided to the
vaguest sort of a vestigial remnant.
That is to say I am still conscious
that I have a pleura, but I fancy
that slight feelings of the sort are almost
inevitable after pleurisy and nearly
always last for several months.

We expect to return to Cambridge
by steamer from Norfolk to Boston and
to arrive on the 28th for a stay of
a week or ten days which my doctor
permits. I hope during the time to
have a meeting of the Visiting Committee
to look over the new wings.

I hope everything is going well with
you and your family.

Mrs. Robinson joins me in affectionate
regards.

Very sincerely yours,

J. B. L. Robinson.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO VISIT
THE GRAY HERBARIUM

TO THE BOARD OF OVERSEERS OF HARVARD COLLEGE:—

During the period since its last report the Committee appointed to visit the Gray Herbarium have met two or three times each year. The first of these meetings has commonly been in January or February and has been held at the Herbarium, where the Committee have listened to a detailed report by the Curator upon the condition of the collections, extent of the accessions, development of the library of the Herbarium, changes of the staff, nature of the monographic activities, field exploration, determinative work, and publication. A second and sometimes a third meeting have been held, usually in Boston during May or June, to consider resources and accounts, acknowledge important gifts, and give counsel when requested by the Curator. These meetings have been attended by about two-thirds or three-fourths of the members of the Committee. Most of the members have also personally visited the Herbarium at other times and have had all desired facilities to acquaint themselves with the personnel of the staff, management of the collections, and nature of the scientific work.

Each year to assist the Herbarium the Committee have endorsed an annual circular, presenting as briefly as possible the nature of the collections, their high scientific value, the practical as well as theoretical aspects of the work done by the staff, and asking for voluntary donations of ten dollars or more for the purpose of giving to the staff the power of further undertakings, especially in the way of exploration and publication, than could be accomplished by means of the regular income of the establishment. These circulars have met with prompt and courteous response from a considerable number of persons, the amounts received having varied from \$1,400 to \$2,000. These sums, supplementing the regular income, have in several instances been of crucial value in permitting the successful completion of exploring expeditions to remote and little investigated fields.

In connection with the field-work directed from the Gray Herbarium, special tribute should be paid to the late Cyrus Guernsey

Pringle, for more than twenty-five years associated with the Herbarium as its expert collector. During this period Mr. Pringle made over twenty exploring expeditions to the wilder and less known portions of Mexico. Frugal in his personal habits, inured to hardships, and tactful with the hostile Indians, he possessed the admirable adjustment of courage and caution which made it possible for him to penetrate far from civilization and secure for Harvard many hundred species of plants new to science.

The Committee would also call attention to the interest and value of the extensive field-work accomplished in recent years in the maritime provinces of Canada, Newfoundland, and Labrador, by Professor Fernald of the Herbarium staff. The bibliographical work of the Librarian, Miss Day, is also noteworthy for its extent and scientific value, and perhaps especially from the fact that it has become a financial asset to the Herbarium.

About four years ago, when the old building of the Herbarium had become dangerously congested and when various efforts to secure funds for an entirely new structure had proved unsuccessful, the Curator presented a plan for a gradual reconstruction, and enlargement, a section at a time, of the old building. After careful consideration this project met with the full approval of the Committee. As a first step, a thoroughly fireproof wing, the gift of Mr. Nathaniel T. Kidder, long a member of the Committee, capable of holding about half the present plant collection, was added toward the northwest, being, it is believed, one of the most perfect structures for its particular purpose ever built. This was followed two years later by the complete rebuilding and considerable enlargement of the two lateral wings of the building. One of them, the gift of a donor who wishes to be anonymous, provides ample and well equipped quarters for the library of the Herbarium. The other wing, the gift of Mr. George Robert White, who has been for many years a member of the Committee, contains two admirable laboratories, fully equipped for the classes in systematic botany.

A fourth improvement, namely, the reconstruction of the front portion of the original central section of the building, is now in advanced progress as the result of a recent anonymous gift for the purpose. In all these separate building enterprises unity of plan has been carefully maintained, so that the building, when completed, will possess harmonious architectural character, as well as great safety and convenience throughout.

The Committee are glad of this opportunity to recognize the invaluable services which have made possible the extension and

development of the Herbarium. The painstaking ability of Professor Robinson in planning the new structure to the minutest detail has impressed the Committee very strongly. No architect alone could have planned for the multitudinous requirements of an herbarium building and have produced results so satisfactory.

A new policy worthy of mention has been adopted by the Curator in placing a large and admirably equipped room in the second story of the George Robert White Laboratories at the disposal of the New England Botanical Club for their extensive and valuable local herbarium. This matter was taken up with the Committee, who fully concurred in believing it a wise measure for the mutual benefit of the Gray Herbarium and the active scientific society engaged in allied work. There can be no doubt that the presence of the collections of the New England Botanical Club in the building of the Gray Herbarium will make the establishment in still higher degree the resort of scholarly persons, both professional and amateur, who are seriously interested in the study of systematic botany.

The chief need of the Gray Herbarium is a somewhat larger staff. The places of Dr. J. M. Greenman, who was some years ago called to the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago, and of Mr. H. H. Bartlett, more recently called to service in the United States Department of Agriculture, have not been filled, and in consequence much time-consuming determinative work and incidental correspondence fall upon Professors Robinson and Fernald, which seriously interrupt their more scientific activities. When the rebuilding of the Herbarium, now well advanced, has been completed and the invaluable collections are in thoroughly safe quarters, it will be possible to determine more accurately the cost of maintenance of the enlarged building, and it is hoped that a balance of income may permit some increase of the staff. This is the more important from the fact that it would be difficult to replace the present experienced members of the staff, and consequently the training of promising understudies should be begun without undue delay.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

WILLIAM ENDICOTT, Jr., *Chairman.*
EMILE F. WILLIAMS, *Secretary.*

JANUARY 8, 1913.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON,
Prof. Syst. Bot. and Curator
M. L. FERNALD, Assistant Professor
MARY A. DAY, Librarian

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

11 Feb. 1913.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

C. phaenopyrum is correct and the capital in the index is an error. Am glad to have it called to attention, so that it can be corrected later. It was formerly the case that most authors capitalized all specific names, which, like this, were substantive in form, but according to the international rules of nomenclature this should be done only when the substantive is a personal name or has been taken from a generic name.

The recommendation regarding the capitalization of specific names is worded as follows:--

"Specific names begin with a small letter except those which are taken from names of persons (substantives or adjectives) or those which are taken from generic names (substantives or adjectives).

Examples: *Ficus indica*, *Circaea lutetiana*, *Brassica Napus*, *Lythrum Hyssopifolia*, *Aster novi-belgii*, *Malva Tournefortiana*, *Phyteuma Halleri*."

The specific name *phaenopyrum* was, in the case in question, first used by Linnaeus filius. It was capitalized by him and evidently treated as a substantive, since he did not attempt to make it agree in gender with the generic name he was using (*Mespilus*). So far as I can learn *Phaenopyrum* had not been previously employed as a generic name, so our present rules would not call for its capitalization.

Well, thanks to that stupid ground-hog, we are having some real winter--which reminds me of the good old Irish woman who said that a thermometer seemed a small bit of a thing to make such powerful changes in the weather.

Our building operations are held up for a few days by delay in getting the metal window and door-frames. They have been promised for several dates already past, but have as yet failed to arrive. However, the architect assures me that there is every prospect that the building will be completed by the middle of April.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

W. L. Robinson.

Dr. G. G. Kennedy.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON,
Prof. Syst. Bot. and Curator
M. L. FERNALD, Assistant Professor
MARY A. DAY, Librarian

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

4 Feb. 1914.

Dear Sir:

Dr. G. G. Kennedy, Chairman of the Visiting Committee of the Gray Herbarium of Harvard University, has asked me to notify the members that there will be a meeting of that Committee at the Gray Herbarium on Friday, Feb. 6th, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon.

Hoping that this will prove a convenient date and that you will be able to be present, I am,

Very respectfully,

B. L. Robinson.

Dr. G. G. Kennedy.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

The above is the form of notice which was sent to members of the Committee. I do hope the day will be mild and pleasant. I shall be glad to have you come a little before the time of the meeting if quite convenient, say at two or thereabouts.

Sincerely yours,
B. L. R.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Lincoln Robinson
request the honor of your presence
at the
Gray Herbarium
in the Botanic Garden
of Harvard University
Linnaean and Garden Streets, Cambridge
to meet the Visiting Committee
Saturday, May, the twenty-second
from four to six o'clock
The new building will be open for inspection

R. L. V. P.

Visiting Committee of the Gray Herbarium
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Dr. George G. Kennedy *Mr. John E. Thayer*
Mr. Walter Deane *Miss Susan Minns*
Mr. George Robert White *Mrs. William G. Weld*
Mr. Joseph R. Leeson *Miss Katharine P. Loring*
Mr. Emile F. Williams, Secretary



B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

16 July, 1914.

Dear J. Kennedy:

Thank you for your kindness in sending the correction on the Manual. It had not been noticed by anyone before. At all events it had not been reported to us. We are very glad to get record of such minor misprints as well as errors of text.

Mrs. Robinson and I have been having a very pleasant fortnight in Jaffrey. We are now down in Cambridge for a day or so, she to do some shopping and I to see that the building operations at the Gray Herbarium are going on as they should. I am glad to say everything is going ahead very nicely indeed. The rather complicated sash for the overhead lighting in the main room have arrived and seem very satisfactory. This overhead lighting has been one of the real problems of construction. Simple as it might seem to be to have a sky light in our room, there appear to be no end of difficulties

in arranging a large overhead lighting so that it may be safe, water-tight, capable of yielding ample ventilation, insect-tight, readily tilted for cleaning both above and below, and finally made of the best glass for diffusing the light.

We are having a nice new brick sidewalk put down on our side of Garden Street, a great improvement on former conditions.

Rhodora is always something of a care in midsummer, when little material for publication comes in. I am glad to say this year the July, and August issues are already paged up and a fair quantity of matter is left over for the September one.

Our library assistant, Miss Vincent, who for some years has been one of the Herbarium staff, has just started for a trip in Europe. She goes with a party and I am very glad she can have the experience. At present we have four people besides myself at work at the Herbarium, namely Miss Day, Miss Anderson, Mrs. Bartlett, and Frank Seymour. Our distribution of *inserendae* is this year larger than ever before thanks to the receipt of the Williams herbarium and the Pease herbarium.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Robinson.

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2 March, 1915.

Dear Sir:

Dr. G. G. Kennedy, Chairman of the Visiting Committee of the Gray Herbarium of Harvard University, has asked me to notify the members that there will be a meeting of the Committee at the Gray Herbarium on Friday, 12 March, 1915, at half past two o'clock.

Trusting that this will be a convenient date and that you will be able to be present, I am,

Very respectfully,

B. L. Robinson.

Dr. G. G. Kennedy.

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Scientific Services.—It is one of the regular duties of the Herbarium staff to answer gratuitously botanical questions received, and to give an expert opinion upon the identity of plants submitted to it. In this way the Herbarium renders valuable service in the various branches of economic and applied botany, such as pharmacy, horticulture, agriculture, and forestry, since in all these branches an accurate classification of plants is of great importance.

Constant Growth of the Collection.—In order to keep abreast with the present rapid advance of botanical exploration it is necessary to add annually a large number of carefully classified specimens to the Herbarium. Each year new regions are explored botanically and important sets of specimens are sold by the collectors. These sets, including the types of many new species, must be acquired when offered for sale, if at all, since they are quickly taken up by large herbaria. Should the Gray Herbarium be unable to secure such sets of specimens, it would suffer the same irreparable loss as a library which is obliged temporarily to suspend its purchases of restricted editions.

To the Patrons of the Gray Herbarium.—For many years the Gray Herbarium was dependent upon gifts for present use to meet a considerable part of its current expenses. Without this aid, it would have been impossible to maintain the continuous growth of the Herbarium, and the undersigned express their grateful appreciation of the important assistance given in response to former circulars. The income of the Herbarium, as now endowed, assures the permanence of the establishment and covers all the regular current

expenses, but it is not sufficient to meet any extraordinary demand, nor does it give the management much freedom in purchasing desirable collections either of rare specimens or of books which from time to time come upon the market. Furthermore the present income will not permit the accomplishment of many promising scientific undertakings on the part of the staff both in exploration and publication, which, were further support available, could be brought to a successful completion. Even yet the Gray Herbarium is less well supported than are some similar establishments elsewhere in the United States and in other parts of the world. Under these circumstances it is believed that the patrons who in the past have so cordially helped the Herbarium in making up its deficits may feel even a greater satisfaction in contributing toward its increased growth and usefulness. The amount most frequently given by annual contributors has been ten dollars, though many persons have given larger sums.

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*Members of the Visiting Committee
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Boston, March 22, 1915.

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THE CLEARING
JAFFREY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

7 Sept. 1916.

My dear Mr. Deane:
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst. As you will see I have prefaced it by a little editorial note to show its relation to the installment of the local flora which will appear in the same issue, and in a few places I have slightly expanded the matter connecting the quotations so that their relation might be as clear and logical as possible.

Mr. Deane has helped me in the same way.

words regarding Theophilus
Parsons which he had found
in a biographical memoir.

Thursday, at my request, has
rightly amplified some of
the bibliographical references
so that they may be entirely
in accord with the original.

Friday, in such manner.

It is now to be stated that
this collection is a very
interesting and valuable
one for the study of the
history of the United States
and is known by the name
of the "Parsons Collection".
The collection is now in the
hands of the Library of Congress.

the same.

We are well and very busy
about our place, which is a
constant source of pleasure
to us. Mr. S. H. Johnson is
now I find joy and interest
in studying the collection.
See also the report of the Library
of Congress.

Gray Herbarium



Harvard University

B. L. ROBINSON, Curator

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

Nov. 21, 1917.

Dr. George G. Kennedy,
Readville, Mass.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

As I had let you know that the boxes had come safely to the herbarium I have delayed a little before writing to you in order that we might unpack them and have the sheets entered in our accession records.

You will be interested, I think, to learn that the plants have now been all unpacked and are safely stored in some of the steel cases in the second gallery of the main room of the Gray Herbarium. I have had them gone over sheet by sheet and a very few, which had not already been mounted, I have had taken out for Miss Anderson to mount and then to replace in their proper position.

I find that there were in the main collection 11,915 sheets and in the Willoughby special collection 1547 sheets, making altogether 13,462 sheets. This is certainly one of the largest and most valuable gifts that we have ever had, and I can assure you that it is very deeply appreciated. Not only will this material be exceedingly useful for reference but it will always have a very pleasant sentiment connected with it in the minds of all the staff at the Gray Herbarium.

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For the present I think that it will be best to keep the collection intact, and I cannot help hoping that you will from time to time feel like coming over and referring to it, or, for that matter, if there are any groups which at any time you wish to examine again we could easily send them over to you for study.

Several of your botanical friends whom I have had an opportunity to tell about your kindness in sending your collection to the Gray Herbarium -- Dr. Goodale, Mr. Deane, Mr. Ames, Mr. Williams, Mr. Floyd, and some others -- have all expressed a very cordial interest in the matter.

I am having a narrow label printed stating the source and date of the gift and will have these labels placed upon all the sheets. This has been customary with us in the case of large or important gifts in the past and it has proved useful in many instances when it was important to trace the history or origin of particular specimens in the herbarium.

Let me once more tell you how greatly I appreciate personally your kindness and generosity in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Robinson

Dictated to HMB

Braniwood,
Counsell, Lancashire.

25th May

My dear Wright.

- I send you cheque - but
• I shall expect you to stand
by me if I get into hot water
for throwing away the Sheffield
museum money; and
I hope you will discover
a lot of rich silver for
the same locality; and
sell them for £10 each -
- or at least if you do that
you'll give me the first
chance of them - Is your best
spade yet in your hands?

Ever truly Yrs.

W. Where by the way? I Rucker

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 Nerve Hill

Mr. Ruskin is obliged to
 send a Waistcoat for alteration.
 It is too tight & drags much
 uncomfortably up between
 Shoulders - altogether very
 uneasy. It is badly cut
 also where the points meet
 in front - Several vests are
 sent out in this way as if
 made by Boys learning the
 trade. Not by men skilled
 in their art as the Reputation
 of Messrs. Study would
 lead one to expect -

Mr. Ruskin wants a
 Cassimere or Kerseymer
 Buff Vest, not yellow.
 Carrier will call for both
 Tuesday

J. J. Ruskin
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